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THIS AND THAT

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These glorious young people in our Baptist churches always come through when they have a chance. In three Summer Assemblies I saw hundreds of them, practically all present, stand in solemn consecration and covenant to pray and work for our denominational work and workers. They meant it and they will do it.

I wish all our pastors would present this plea to their young people. Ask them to pledge prayer for me personally and for all who are associated with me in our efforts to enlist the sympathy and support of all our people in carrying out Christ's Commission. Please drop me a postal card telling me how many stood on such a covenant contract.

And it is thrilling to read of the plans and purposes of the Baptist Student Union young people. Thousands of churches will be visited by them this summer with information and inspiration about our work for Christ. Pastors and churches will do well to warmly welcome these splendid consecrated young people. They will do good for themselves, for the church they visit and for the causes of Christ.

I wish to make personal acknowledgement of my own sincere appreciation of this Baptist Student work under the statesmanlike leadership of Secretary Frank H. Leavell. I believe this work is as vitally important, as constructive and far-reaching as any we have. The whole denominational family owes a deep debt of gratitude to God for this work.

Our young people should be given—as they deserve—the largest possible opportunity for service both in the local and the denominational work. They would bring new blood, new life, new enthusiasm, new ideas, new spirit into it. They should not supplant but supplement the older workers.

Rev. S. P. Poag goes from Merton Ave. church, Memphis, to two churches, Oak Grove and Liberty, occupying a parsonage at Covington.—Dr. Geo. W. Truett will lead an evangelistic campaign in the Baptist churches of Columbia, S. C., Oct. 10-20.—Dr. C. S. Henderson of Greenville has been in a revival meeting in a former pastorate at Calhoun, Ga.—There are more than ten times as many Jews in New York as there are in Palestine.

Pastor J. W. Fagan of Second Ave., Laurel, and Pastor T. E. Waldrup of Delaney St. Ch. in Orlanda, Fla., will exchange pulpits during August.—Dr. Andrew Potter, pastor at Enid, Okla., was recently elected Secretary of Missions for Oklahoma.—In 1916 there was four times as much money spent in this country for liquor as was spent for education; and twice as much as was spent for operating the government.—Once a month now we will feature the B.Y.P.U. work in Mississippi. These young people feel the need of space to expand and are proposing to send in 2,500 new subscriptions to the Record. Help them.



Auber J. Wilds, State B. Y. P. U. Secretary, who leads the Campaign for 2,500 new subscribers to The Baptist Record.

The Watchman Examiner of New York says of the Southern Baptist Convention's 100,000 Club: It seems to us that this might easily be done. The plan is in every way practicable, for it does not take into consideration the vast number of unintelligent and unenlisted people. Out of the millions of Southern Baptists, certainly 100,000 can be found who will join this new movement and who can be depended on to stand by their pledges. All hail to the 100,000 stalwarts who will help to throw off the incubus of debt!

A letter from Prof. E. O. Sellers, spending the summer in Chicago says the Men and Missions Sunday which the Southern Baptist Convention recommended to our churches is Nov. 19. It is heartily endorsed by Dr. Henderson, Dr. Dodd, Dr. Maddry and others. Write to Dr. J. T. Henderson, Knoxville, Tenn., for programs.—Rev. Henry J. Rushing and Miss Sara Lee Morris were married at Crenshaw on July 25. Congratulations!—The "second mile" has become a sort of test for the genuineness of our religion; that is if it is Christian it always willing to go further than is required. And that is the spirit of the 100,000 Club. It is to be over and above what you have been doing or promised to do for the cooperative program. And it is not for something outside the program, but for objects which are an essential part of the program.

If every body should do as he looks in his photograph, wouldn't this be a pleasant world to live in?—In the absence of Pastor B. H. Lovelace last Sunday the pulpit was supplied in the morning by Rev. J. A. Lee, and at night by Dr. Buchanan of Blue Mountain.—This week we publish a list of the district associations, with place and time of meeting. Please look at yours and let us know of any mistakes or omissions.—Brother T. S. McGee, a student in Mississippi College is preaching for Bethlehem church, just across the river from Jackson, in Rankin County. It is not an easy task, and he is getting no help from the board. But he works sacrificially, his salary being next to nothing. He gives them his whole time during the summer. This is apostolic succession and we hope he will have the fulness of the Father's blessing. He enlisted the W.M.S. of Clinton in organizing a missionary society, and the young people of Davis Memorial in organizing a B.Y.P.U.

Courts Redford becomes part-time Stewardship Secretary among Missouri Baptists, his salary being underwritten by interested friends of Baptist work.

Dr. R. W. Hooker, formerly missionary of the S.B.C. in Mexico and later physician in Memphis, is now chief surgeon of the S. S. Leviathan. His wife is a daughter of one of our Mississippi preachers, Rev. V. H. Nelson, deceased.—Miss Edwina Robinson begins her work as Young People's Leader in the Miss. W.M.U. on August 1st. She is a grand-daughter of brother Franklin, deceased, one of the godliest members Magee church ever had. Her grand-mother was a Miley, and all Mileys are good Baptists. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robinson of Magee. She was graduated from Blue Mountain and from the Louisville Training School. She was pastor's assistant of First Church, Chattanooga, and later in San Marcos, Texas. She is a worthy successor to the former excellent leader, Miss Frances Landrum, now Mrs. Tyler of Maryland.—E. N. Poag becomes pastor of Buntyn St. Church, Memphis. His brother, S. P. is pastor of Merton Av. Ch. in the same city.—Glad to have a visit from evangelist J. W. Hickerson and wife who have been blessed in their work in Mississippi recently. His permanent address is Seminary Hill, Ft. Worth, Texas.

The debts on our Southwide agencies were caused largely by changing the percentage in many states, so that for several years less has gone to southwide objects, not only less in the sum total of gifts but less in the percentage of gifts. It follows that these states owe at least fair treatment to these southwide objects when it comes to special efforts in their behalf. In Mississippi we not only changed the percentages to 75 per cent for state objects, but set aside a fixed lump sum for them before any distribution was made. And in addition to this we have conducted campaigns specifically for state objects. We are not criticizing this plan. Far from it. It seemed a necessity to keep our work from going on the rocks. But some of the Southwide agencies are also threatened with going on the rocks. The only method proposed for saving them, the only plan that would be permitted is the 100,000 club. Now let's do the fair and generous and Christian thing and help all down the line to save the institutions which the Lord has raised up.

Dr. W. A. McComb and wife have been enjoying a vacation which naturally took them to their children and grandchildren in Cincinnati and Philadelphia. Mrs. Lobitz was Miss Catherine and Mrs. R. A. Kimbrough, Jr., was Miss Agnes McComb. Brother McComb will be back in time for his meeting at Flora, in which he will be assisted by brother Wayne Alliston, of the Miss. Baptist Hospital.—Bernard C. Clausen goes from a pastorate in Syracuse, N. Y. to First Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Our people will be greatly interested in the announcement of brother Wyatt Hunter that he has yielded to the call to preach and will go this fall to the Louisville Seminary. He has been for nine years in the state Sunday school work and is well known and held in high esteem all over the state. He is an alumnus of Miss. College. His work has been eminently satisfactory, and the experiences he has had will greatly help him in his ministry.

Dr. H. Ross Arnold of Greenville, Ala., has been called to the pastorate of the First Church, Athens, Tenn.—J. B. Leavell, Jr., has been called to Rutland church, Nashville, Tenn.—Dr. I. E. Gates of San Antonio, died July 16. He had been in ill health for a year, due to a stroke of paralysis.

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Most of us have thought of the Sunday School Board as a great publishing house, a successful business concern and a high-powered promotion agency, and so it is. But it is more. Let us think of it as a source of spiritual dynamics and a fountain of spiritual vitality. Let us pray for those editors and writers of our Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. lessons as they send their messages of light and life and love to all our people. Let us ask God to give them grace and wisdom to see the truth as it is in Christ Jesus our Lord and to teach it under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.—President M. E. Dodd.

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Don't let anybody persuade you that we can close Baptist schools and still maintain our educational record in students. It is said that in recent years the number of Baptist schools in the South have been reduced in number from 129 to 72; and the number of students in attendance is reduced from 35,000 to 19,000. Three years ago it was thought that Baptist colleges in Mississippi would profit by the troubles of state schools. But the facts are that they did not.

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Mr. Leo Green was examined for ordination and ordained by the church at Clinton this week. He was graduated from Mississippi College in May and in his senior year gave himself to the ministry. He was graduated with special honor, and was president of the Baptist Student Union, and active in Christian work. His home is in Tupelo.—President S. L. Stringer says that the reduced prices for board and tuition at Clarke College are bringing a large number of applicants for places, and the outlook for the opening of school in the fall is excellent.

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Dr. G. H. Cruthcher now in Florida, taught for several years in the Baptist Bible Institute. Here is what he says in the Florida Baptist Witness: July is the calendar month for informing Southern Baptists of the work of the B. B. I. If this entire paper should be given to recounting only the good things accomplished in this brief period the paper would have to be enlarged. The hand of God has been manifest in its establishment and in its continuance in the type of work done, in the amount of the result accrued, and yet this school is still in its swaddling clothes. God planted it, God has guided it and God will carry it on.

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Judge O. B. Taylor resumes practice of law in Jackson, Merchants Bank. He has served the Baptists of Mississippi, as well as the church of which he is a member, having been a member of the Education Commission, now president of the board of trustees of Mississippi College. He has served as county attorney and chancellor of his district.—At Whiteoak church, Smith County, where brother D. W. Moulder has been pastor for 28 years, brother C. C. Jones preached in the revival meeting. There were 21 additions, 10 by baptism. Brother Jones was invited back for next year. Brother Moulder preached at Good Hope Friday and baptized one. Saturday he preached at Polkville and Sardis, traveled day and night, preached six times on Sunday. At last report brother W. L. Meadows was with him in meeting at Polkville.—We are sending to fifty of our colored Baptist preachers in Mississippi the Baptist Record for six months. This is a personal contribution from the editor. We hope these pastors may find help in reading the paper.—One in forty of the 4,000,000 Baptists in the South giving \$1.00 a month extra to pay the debts of Southern Baptists will make the 100,000 club. Will you be the one in forty?

SOME FOLKS I HAVE MET

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A man in despair, a dope fiend, came to a Christian layman and spoke to him of suicide as the way out. The layman heard him tell how he had tried various remedies and all had failed, and then suggested, "My friend, I have a Friend, a Physician, who has a sure cure for your trouble." The man was very skeptical at first but finally agreed to try this last remedy suggested. The layman then said, "First, I have another friend. I want to get him and all of us to talk and then pray together about this matter. We will all three go to this Physician." It was done. The man trusted himself to this Great Physician and went his way, left that city and the two did not hear from him for a few years. One day while this first layman was on a certain work a stranger accosted him and said, "You don't remember me do you?" He was not the haggard, troubled, somewhat unkempt individual of some years before but now a splendid specimen of humanity. The layman did not remember him. Then the stranger said, "You remember the dope fiend who came to you. Well, I was cured alright. Jesus has never failed me. I have been making my way in the world, as happy as can be." Do you believe in a Jesus who is Mighty to Save? Do we act like it sometimes? THAT IS A TRUE STORY WITHOUT ANY GARNISHMENT!—M.

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A religious census was taken in a city. A man was discovered who had been a Sunday school superintendent for years back in the country. He was unaffiliated with any church locally though he had been there for years. Another church member boasted he had not been inside a church for eleven years. UNSAVED CHURCH MEMBERS ARE THE BIG PROBLEMS OF THE CHURCHES OF OUR LORD. A saved but worldly member in tears at the personal approach of the pastor said, "You are the first man who has ever tried to help me. All the others have constantly kicked me."—M.

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A group of men had met in a regular prayer service. A stranger had dropped in at the start and had been greeted by the men. The prayer service ended and the men were going their several ways. A fine layman dropped back and joined the visitor at the rear of the disbanding group and was heard to ask, "Are you a Christian?" A layman who would not allow a stranger to come around without finding out about his spiritual condition! The writer wonders how many preachers are like that? How many denominational educators are like that? How many denominational leaders are like that? The writer rejoices in speaking to folks all along and yet his heart trembles as he thinks of those he lets pass by without a word. Is that not the present weakness of the church? We have lost our "passion for the lost", "the compassion of our hearts towards hell-bound men." We need to come back to our first love.—M.

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A Baptist layman noticed a stranger in an automobile parked in front of a hotel. This stranger had a woe-be-gone expression upon his face. A second look revealed the car as being an out-of-state car. The interested-in-men layman walked over, greeted the stranger, chatted briefly with him, handed him a Gospel of John, telling him, "This little book will tell you about one who will drive away the blues and will give you peace of heart and set at rest your fears." The man smiled and thanked him as they separated. Is that good religious practice? How many of us are at it? May the God of our hearts awaken us to the opportunities all around us.—M.

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Pleasant Hill church in Simpson County closed a good meeting Friday night, July 29th. We had rain every day and the death of one of our fine ladies. Yet we had good attendance. Brother T. W. Talkington of Crystal Springs did the preaching. He is a good man and preaches the gospel with power.—B. E. Phillips.

The Washington Times says that recently the City of Washington has broken the record for arrests for drunkenness. And why not? Hasn't Washington been rearing and roaring to get back to its liquor?—Among recent arrests reported in Washington was that of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives on two charges as a result of an alleged disorder in the Pennsylvania Hotel.

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The blessings of God certainly flowed large upon us the past week in a revival series at Hopewell, Copiah County. Twenty-three added to the church, men resolving to stop ways of sin and a great consecration service. How hospitable they were to the preachers. Brother George Springs led the singing and Pastor M. P. Jones furnished us all with great leadership under the Holy Spirit. How fortunate they are in his work as a pastor. Pray for us this week at Georgetown and next week at Sylvaena.—D. A. McCall.

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Brother A. V. May, one of our Mississippians now in Texas, at Mercedes, has been back with us for two weeks. He helped Pastor John Sproles in a meeting at Nola church, Lawrence County, in which there were 18 additions to the church; and aided Pastor Mark Lowrey in a meeting in Shiloh church where fourteen were added to the church and many reclaimed for service.—Dr. M. E. Dodd will speak in the Hall of Religion, Chicago Fair, Aug. 11 at 8 P. M. He preaches at Second Church, Jackson Boulevard and Lincoln St. Aug. 13.

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President and Mrs. W. W. Hamilton are having a \$10,000 life insurance policy transferred to the Baptist Bible Institute. It was originally made payable to their daughter, Miss Virginia, whose death a few years ago was so great a loss. This will be a beautiful and appropriate memorial. The belief is expressed that already others are making policies payable to the Institute, and more and more memorials of this kind will be established, paying for buildings or scholarships or endowing chairs.

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We were prevented providentially from getting earlier to the recently published book by Dr. F. S. Groner, "The Witness of Great Minds to Christian Varieties." It is such a book as is greatly needed in our day and will greatly steady and strengthen the faith of the readers. Dr. Groner, was for several years mission secretary in Texas, a safe and courageous leader among Southern Baptists, now the virile president of the College of Marshall in Texas. The price of the book is \$1.25.

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Dr. H. C. E. Liu, President of the University of Shanghai, a school operated jointly by Northern and Southern Baptists, will visit this country and Canada in August and September, attending educational and missionary conferences, in connection with Missionary E. Stanley Jones. As a member of the China committee he will attend the Institute of Pacific Relations in Canada August 14-28. The Minister of Education of the National Government in China has appointed him to study civic and vocational education in America and Europe. Dean T. K. Van will be acting president during his absence. There were 600 in all departments of the University in the last session and 154 graduated from the college and middle schools.

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Rev. Donald B. Allen, near Gainesville, Fla., writes that he has just had Evangelist T. T. Martin with him in a meeting, and he believes his preaching surpasses anything done by Bro. Martin in the 30 years he has known him.—Pastor W. E. Farr has welcomed 37 into the church at Itta Bena in the last three months. In a recent meeting the pastor preached and 22 were added to the church.—Application for membership in the So. Bap. Con. came from Hawaii.—As the result of a week's revival meeting at Green's Creek church 13 were added, 10 by baptism. The pastor, A. R. Adams, did the preaching.

TWO SKIN GAMES

There is nothing to be gained by denying that there has been considerable change in prohibition sentiment within the last few years, and it might be of interest to note that there has been a marked change of sentiment on financial matters since this change of prohibition sentiment began to be noticed.

We Americans had some good reasons to think we knew quite a bit about finance. We knew full well that debt was always dangerous, and that waste and speculation nearly always proved disastrous, and yet when the tide of prosperity that followed the world war and National prohibition got in full swing we cast our common sense and the wisdom of the ages aside and went on a spree of borrowing, spending and speculating, and went so far as to imagine that all of the old ideas of sound finance were wrong and that we could and actually had spent and speculated ourselves into a period of abundant and continuous prosperity. The few who did not lose their heads were scoffed at as the wise ones whooped things up and drove the tidal wave of speculation to new and higher crests. Masters of propaganda used every possible device to sweep the people off their feet and extract the last dollar from their pockets. One of the big boys wrote a long magazine article telling us how to make lots of money in the stock market and in just a few weeks the old market went into a nose dive that soon got beyond the lamb shearing stage and crashed into the rams, relieving many of them of a large part of their ill gotten gains.

Now we find ourselves dazed by the shock, amazed and disgusted at our folly, and bewildered by the morass and wilderness of financial difficulties that surround us. While still in this plight we are able to realize that we have slipped quite a bit in moral matters. And what do we hear prescribed for all our woes? More and better booze. Yes booze; just plain old liquid damnation, Satan's favorite prescription and the major curse of the race. Yes the one thing, that through the ages, has, with the most lavish hand, dispensed shame, crime, poverty, disease and death is now urged as the one and only thing that will cure the ills it has never failed to cause. A good look at the crowd that is sponsoring the idea is enough to create further doubt as to the wisdom of adopting it. We find they have a large following in, and draw their leaders from the large cities that went so wild in the borrow, spend and speculate era that terminated in such unspeakable disaster for us all. We also find that their methods of propaganda are strangely similar to those used in this era of mad finance, when many large banks and brokerage houses betrayed the confidence of their customers and sold them hundreds of millions of dollars worth of securities that were practically if not absolutely worthless. And more than this we find a number of the leaders who had so much to do with driving us to the financial slaughter pen are zealously working to stampede us to the slaughter pen of booze where we will be robbed of many things more precious than gold, while they profit by our weakness and woe.

Is the downward swing in morals due to prohibition or to a giant diabolical attempt to destroy prohibition? New York City was the center of the financial folly and crimes referred to is the fountain head and backbone of the wet drive and very largely controls the policies of the press and moving pictures of the entire country. The press and pictures of the country have not only subjected prohibition to a most vigorous, insidious, and incessant hammering, but they have poured out a flood of filth that could not fail to pollute morals. Was this the result of conspiracy or is it all you can expect from this source? It looks very much like they realize that prohibition has its foundation in the morals of the people and are willing to destroy morals in order to destroy prohibition.

Many of our large wet centers have tolerated,

if not cultivated, crime and have advertised it in an attempt to discredit prohibition. Let it be remembered that nearly all of these places have been and are yet under the control of old politico-criminal machines that had their origin in saloon days. Conditions became so desperate in Chicago that they just had to do something. They did the only logical thing to do, and wrecked the old machine. Now they are making life miserable for the criminals and putting on the most honest and thorough clean up that any American city has staged for years. This would have been much more difficult if not impossible if the old machine could have commanded the support of a few thousand saloons. If we will keep the saloons out long enough some of our cities will doubtless be able to clean up.

Repeal will not reduce crime, neither will it produce prosperity. It will turn out to be a skin game of the worst sort. We need no further proof of the fact that individual distress will produce National distress. The consumption of liquor produces drunken and poverty stricken people, and a drunken and poverty stricken people will produce a drunken and poverty stricken nation. Repeal will increase the wealth of a few by greatly increasing the burdens and woes of the masses.

As long as the people can be rushed out of one skin game into another there will be plenty of folks anxious to do the rushing, and the skinning. Let us take time to analyze the motives behind this repeal propaganda, and to realize that the prosperity of the masses and the Nation rests primarily on the health, courage, strength, intelligence, integrity and industry of the whole people, and to further realize that the use of alcohol interferes with the development, maintenance and proper use of these qualities.

—OLD OBSERVER—

DO SOUTHERN BAPTISTS WANT TO PAY THEIR DEBTS

By Frank Tripp, General Leader
Baptist Hundred Thousand Club

If Southern Baptists really want to pay their debts, they can. It may take two, three or five years in which to do it, but it can be done. If I were as sure they wanted to pay them as I am certain they can pay them, I would be even more hopeful of the outcome of the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club than I am. This method of debt retirement, approved by the Convention, is only a formula. Any plan that is sensible and practicable will succeed if we really want to pay our debts. No plan, regardless of how efficient it may be, can succeed unless we do want to pay our debts. The influence of Southern Baptists and the efficiency of their program is more seriously threatened by indifference, complacency and a spirit of apathy than by poverty.

A lot has been said of late about cooperation and cooperative relationships. Let us remember that where Baptists are not cooperative, they are not doing any thing. On the other hand, where there is any kind of cooperation, our people are getting things done. The greatest hindrance to our progress is not a lack of understanding as to the best way to do it, but the absence of any desire to do it at all.

The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club offers an opportunity for Southern Baptists to prove the genuineness of their desire to pay their debts. If we really want to play fair and square with our creditors, let's say so by at least making a start to reduce these obligations. The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club makes it possible for most of us to share in this responsibility and privilege. We can no longer find a few people who can give large amounts of money, but we can find large numbers of people who can give a little money. That is all that is necessary.

My sincere and earnest appeal to Southern Baptists is that we get this matter on our hearts. It will be a tragedy unspeakable for our people to think lightly of our denominational obligations. Any suggestion that we maneuver our obligations in an effort to reduce them by any method other than paying them should meet, with

a most emphatic disapproval. Our obligations to those who have trusted us through the years can not be honorably repudiated. Our debts were incurred by our representatives with the authority and approval of the Southern Baptist Convention. Southern Baptists MUST and WILL pay every dollar they owe.

I sincerely trust and earnestly pray that our preachers, W.M.U. leaders, B.Y.P.U. leaders, Sunday school officers and teachers and all the rest of our great Southern Zion may have an earnest desire to pay their debts and a willingness to make any reasonable sacrifice that they may be paid.

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NOW WE HAVE A CHANCE
Eldridge B. Hatcher, Blue Mountain College

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A chance to make a big dent in our indebtedness by carrying the "Baptist Hundred-Thousand Club" plan to a sweeping victory.

"But we have had a chance to reduce our indebtedness all along"; you say. "It is not a chance that we need, but a willingness to give."

Very true, my solomcholy brother. But this is an unusual chance. Each one of us is asked by the Convention to give one dollar a month, above our regular contributions, for the reduction of the debt. Here is something unique. Something simple. Something concrete,—with a doorway for such a large multitude of us to enter. It takes nearly all of us in. In fact there is magnetism in the plan and it has in it a tremendous pull.

If we don't take hold of this movement with wide-sweeping enthusiasm then let us not any longer put the blame for our indebtedness on some one else's shoulders. Southern Baptists are a mighty people when they become aroused and set their hearts on a great objective.

Can we not have the report going down the line, "Our churches are rallying wholeheartedly to the appeal"? The challenge now is not to see how large a contribution we can get from individuals. Only one dollar a month is asked. But imagine that idea spreading like a blessed epidemic throughout our Southern Zion. Imagine our aggressive leader, Dr. Tripp, being buried under an avalanche of letters from pastors announcing the sacred landslide in his church.

"Oh, not so fast" you say. "Why whip up an ocean of frenzied promises with only a trickling stream of payments oozing into headquarters afterwards?"

Exactly, my lugubrious friend. And why not add to your melancholy announcements the warning "All of this is going to mean a shrinkage in gifts to the Cooperative Program." Of course; if all of us join your funeral procession. But let's not join. Let not a mortal of us dare to pledge the monthly dollar if we are going to take from our regular contributions to the denominational work one penny. But, oh, do let us, with this wide door opening before us, crowd in and show our divine Master that we can respond to a great appeal.

But why stop with one hundred thousand?

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Arlington Church, Lincoln County, has just closed a successful revival. There were a number of professions of faith and the church members were wonderfully revived. Pastor Charley Smith was assisted by Rev. H. L. Byrd of McCall's Creek who has returned from the Ft. Worth Seminary and is available for pastoral or evangelistic work.—Two young men from Davis Memorial Church, Jackson, report that religious services are held in the reforestation camps regularly and that our Baptist boys are rendering good service in them.—Instead of closing its doors for any part of the summer or having union services the First Church of Greenville put on special programs and the pastor preached a special series of sermons in July. In June there were 28 additions. The music is a especially attractive feature.—Pastor S. A. Murphy is writing a history of Valence St. Baptist Church in New Orleans, and would appreciate any material that will help him. His address is 1211 Washington Ave.

Editorials

AS CAPTAIN OF THE HOST OF THE LORD

It would be hard to find a more admirable character than Joshua. He had high courage and utter devotion to his task. He was the Lord's chosen for leadership at a critical time in Israel's national history. Trained under the tutelage of Moses, disciplined by the desert wanderings, he led the people unflinchingly across the Jordan and faced Jericho and the conquest of Canaan. He had the finest qualities for the accomplishment of a great task.

And he had all confidence in his ability to do it. Here was at once his strength and his possible weakness. He was every inch a soldier. His carriage must have been decidedly military and he would have fitted well into the uniform of a major-general. On this particular morning the Jordan was behind them and Jericho before them. And it came to pass that he lifted up his eyes and looked and behold there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand. And Joshua went unto him and said unto him, "Art thou for us, or for our adversaries?" And he said, "Nay; but as captain of the host of the Lord am I now come."

Leadership is apt to develop quite a bit of self-consciousness. Particularly is this true with the first success in a new office. And Joshua was not proof against it. Who is? The sense of authority, the occupancy of a place of responsibility is apt to go to a man's head. And this is just as true in religious work as in secular positions. Maybe a little more common. Joshua was feeling the importance of his office and he will find out who this new comer in the camp is. He has a drawn sword in his hand. Notice that Joshua "lifted up his eyes, and looked and behold!" It took him somewhat by surprise. He will find out whether this is friend or foe. And so he challenges him, "Art thou for us or for our adversaries?" There is meaning in the reply "No." It signifies that I am not an assistant to anybody. I didn't come to offer my services. I came to take charge; "As captain of the host of Jehovah am I now come."

Joshua had thought of himself in that capacity. Had he not a direct, divine, personal commission as generalissimo? Lots of us have or have had that idea. A "preacher's strut" has come almost to be recognized as a disease. A few have it bad. Some of us can pose to a nicety. The unnatural attitude in the pulpit and sometimes out of it has come to be almost natural. Officialism has come to be like a garment we put on. We do this and that. It is "my church" and "my deacon" and "my people." It is a widespread disease.

The meekest man on earth had some trouble with himself at this point. He once said "Shall I bring water out of the rock for you?" And it cost him very heavy. Poor old Nebuchadnezzar went from the throne to the cow pasture for this sort of bumptiousness. It is hard to be successful and to keep sweet. We come to think of ourselves as running the machine, and we call in the Lord to help us occasionally if we happen to bad luck.

It will help us mightily if we can keep in mind that we are simply entrusted of the Lord with the task assigned us, that we are responsible to Him, that we are under His direction, and like Elijah say, "Let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word." We commonly think of Elijah's courage. But it came of his humility and the realizing sense of the nearness of God. He did not sit down in God's presence. He always said, "As Jehovah liveth before whom I stand."

But there is no occasion of being hard on Joshua. He could learn and he did learn. He "fell on his face to the earth." That old story about the Greek hero whenever he was wounded and fell on the earth being restored, has its truth

in Christian experience. Many a man has found that he is healed and strengthened when he falls to the earth. Joshua worshiped and said "What said my Lord unto his servant?" He is ready to take orders now and not to give them. And the captain of the Lord's host told him to remove his shoes. Moses started out barefooted on his God given mission, and Joshua and all the rest of us must.

The meek will he guide in judgment; the meek will he teach his way. It would save us much anxiety and many a foolish move if we could recognize that all our programs and institutions belong to God, and that we are simply to carry on as He directs.

DEFLATING THE DOLLAR

The deflating of the currency is a national and international game today. The idea is that the dollar has gotten above itself and is being thought of more highly than it ought to be, and it is somebody's duty, everybody's duty, especially the government's business to bring it down a bit. People are finding out that it is injurious to business and paralyzing to industry for money to be valued too highly, that is to be accounted of more worth than the necessities of life, and something must be done to reduce it or deflate it.

Here for example, when you put money by the side of cotton and cotton sells for five cents a pound you say that cotton is too low, or, a la Einstein, money is too high. The same when wheat sells at fifty cents a bushel, and all the way down the line. So the government begins to talk about deflating the dollar. And all the governments of the great nations get into the game and they begin to do likewise, depreciate the currency. The nation that can do the most at it wins in international trade. The nations were a little slow getting on to it. Fifteen years ago you could swap a dollar in Berlin for about a million marks. And we were saying, "Poor Germany!" But the Germans knew a thing or two, for they had some Jews then that taught them the trick. And they were paying their debts with money of little value, but it paid the debts. Business and nations and people have been saved by deflating the dollar.

Now all of this is a parable, and the truth of it goes deeper into life than simply in trade and industry. When you put too high an estimate on the dollar you do serious injustice to the best things in life. Jesus was deflating the dollar when he said, "Woe unto you, scribes, Pharisees and hypocrites for ye tithe mint and amise and cummin, and have left undone the weightier matters of the law, justice and mercy and faith." Again he was trying to put the dollar in its place when he said, "Take heed and keep yourselves from all covetousness, for a man's life consisteth not of the things which he has, even when he has abundance." And many will recall what he said about not laying up treasures on earth. And what Paul says about godliness with contentment being great gain.

It is the common conviction that we are all better off when the dollar is cheap and things are high. The world is learning its lesson in deflating the dollar, reducing its value in comparison with food and clothes and what are called the necessities of life. But we seem to be slow to learn the more important lesson that there are things in life that are of incomparably more value than money. It will be well when we can think of a man as a success, not because he is a money maker or a money getter, but one who exemplifies the grace of humility and courage and patience, of justice and honesty and love, of beneficence and magnanimity.

And it will be a good day for all our boards and institutions when they major in soul winning and reaching the destitute places, rather than in money raising and magnificent buildings.

The editor had the pleasure of supplying for Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr., at Durant Sunday. It was a pleasure to meet these good friends.

DR. R. A. VENABLE

On Wednesday, July 27, Dr. R. A. Venable passed away after a long confinement following a stroke of paralysis some three years ago. He was for many years one of Mississippi's outstanding Baptist ministers. His people came from Georgia to southern Arkansas, and he grew up near Hamburg in that state. He came to Mississippi College and, graduating from this school, married the daughter of President W. S. Webb. To this union were born two sons and two daughters. The older son is former Congressman W. W. Venable, now of Clarksdale. These and his widow survive him.

Dr. Venable began his ministry as pastor at Okolona; went from there to First Church, Memphis, Tenn., and on the retirement of Dr. Webb from the presidency of Miss. College, became his successor in 1891. This was during the storm period when the proposal to move the college to Meridian was under discussion. After a few years Dr. Venable was called to the pastorate of First Church, Meridian, where he remained for about ten years. After resigning this pastorate he continued to make his home near Meridian and served adjacent churches. His last service was in Clarke College where he taught for several years, and was for a part of this time president of the school. At the time of his death he was 83 years of age.

Dr. Venable was one of the most careful and conscientious students of the Bible we have ever known. He had a good knowledge of Greek, and had one of the best libraries in the state. This was destroyed by fire a few years ago. His preaching was expository and was independent and courageous. He did not simply pass on the traditional teaching. This quality made him a great Bible teacher. He delighted in the study of the Book, loved its truths and delighted to set them before others.

He believed if the Bible were really taught and preached the Lord would insure results. For this reason he was a great preacher, especially to those who loved the Bible.

It was the pleasure of the editor to be with him in a number of revival meeting in his later years, a delight to see with what love and respect his people regarded him. The farmer folks, the merchant class, the school teachers and all who loved the Lord, loved to hear him preach. He is gone from us and has entered into rest. Many have been blessed by his ministry and will be to the end.

To those who loved him most goes our brotherly sympathy.

ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS

Association	Time	Place
Lafayette Co.	Sept. 5-6,	New Hope Church.
Grenada Co.	Sept. 6,	Providence Church.
Monroe Co.	Sept. 6,	Becker Church.
Marshall Co.	Sept. 6-7,	Carey Chapel Church—Mt. Pleasant, Miss.
Yalobusha Co.	Sept. 6-7,	Sylvarena—8 miles Southwest Water Valley.
Noxubee Co.	—Choctaw, Sept. 7,	Macon Church.
Union Co.	Sept. 12-13,	Mt. Pleasant Church—Wallerville, Miss.
Coldwater,	Sept. 13,	Horn Lake Church.
Lauderdale Co.	Sept. 13-14,	Midway Church.
Pontotoc Co.	Sept. 14-15,	Cherry Creek Church.
Sunflower Co.	Sept. 14-15,	Dockery Church.
Jasper Co.	Sept. 19,	Antioch Church.
Lebanon,	Sept. 19-20,	Brooklyn Church.
Pearl River Co.	Sept. 21-22,	Henleyfield Church—8 miles West of Carriere.
Madison Co.	Sept. 26,	Farmhaven Church.
Zion,	Sept. 27-28,	Bethel Church.
Rankin Co.	Sept. 27,	Clear Branch Church—6 miles Southwest of Florence.
Choctaw Co.	Sept. 28,	New Haven Church.
Liberty,	Sept. 30,	Hurricane Creek—nearest R. R. Point Shubuta, M. & O. R. R.
Copiah,	Oct. 3-4,	Hopewell Church.

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Convention Board Department

R. B. GUNTER, Cor. Sec'y.

This one thing we do, pay our debts.

JOSHUA AND CALEB BAND

Another leading layman who is a great financier believes that the time is ripe for launching a campaign for the purpose of enlisting members who will contribute regularly for the payment of our State debts. Another layman says that when this man believes a financial movement can succeed that you may count on it to succeed. The plan was mentioned to one pastor who immediately said that he would join the band by paying \$1.00 per month for State debts. The writer is one hundred per cent for such a movement. We must pay our State debts while paying Southwide debts. The debts of the Baptist State Convention and her institutions in Mississippi amount to about one-sixth of the total indebtedness of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Southern Baptist Convention can call on 17 states for help; the Mississippi Convention can call on but one.

The heading to this article is suggestive. Joshua and Caleb believed that the impossible could be accomplished. Joshua and Caleb lived to see the impossible accomplished. To be sure they had to wait a long time, but because they believed and were willing, the Lord favored them. We believe that there are enough Baptists in Mississippi who have that same faith who will join hands and pay off these debts. One layman believes that forty per cent of our membership would give \$1.00 per quarter. This would pay off more than half of our bonded indebtedness in one year's time. But since the One Hundred Thousand Club calls for \$1.00 per month for a period of twelve months, it would be less confusing to work this (One Hundred Thousand Club) plan. If a sufficient number are interested in this plan, we shall be glad to prepare cards, and send them out to all who will sign them and use them for the purpose of enlisting their friends, provided the Board approves the plan. We shall be glad to hear from those who are interested. Express your opinion.

RECEIPTS FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1933

Later on we shall give a statement of receipts for the first six months of this year. It will be observed that the average for the Cooperative Program was only a little over \$5,000.00 per month. It will also be observed that the special donations for Foreign Mission work amounted to \$4,329.57. The Foreign Board at the same time received from the Cooperative Program \$1,291.50, or a total of \$5,623.08. The Home Board during the same period received \$4,851.37 from special gifts, and from the Cooperative Program \$184.79, or a total of \$5,036.16. The State Board received in designated gifts during this period \$357.99, and from the Cooperative Program \$1,773.95, or a total of \$2,131.94. The question naturally arises, how can the State Board carry out its work for the year which called for more than \$22,000.00. It should also be remembered in connection with the above contributions that for the first four months of the period the interests named did not participate in the Cooperative receipts, due to the fact that all funds were used for education debts. All interests are participating in the Cooperative Program since May 1st. The figures below, of course, do not include July receipts.

Receipts for the first six months of this year are as follows, to-wit:

Cooperative Program	\$32,950.75
Foreign Missions	4,329.57
Home Missions	4,851.37
State Missions	357.99
Christian Education	308.17

Orphanage	2,334.91
Jackson Hospital	16.31
Memphis Hospital	6.36
Relief and Annuity Board	17.67
Home and Foreign Missions	1,990.94
W. M. U. Specials	1,577.83
Baptist Bible Institute	29.93
Old Gold Campaign	942.82
Education Interest on Bonds	3,913.55
Mississippi College	100.00
Blue Mountain College	25.00
Woman's College	44.00
	\$53,797.17

ARE WE ABLE?

From statistics of 1932 giving the average per capita income for all citizens of the United States, men, women and children, white and black, we learn that the average is \$580.00. We reduced this, in order to be conservative, to \$350.00 per capita for Mississippians. We then multiplied this sum by the number of white Baptists in Mississippi. This gives greater assurance that the figures were not exaggerated because there are not many members of Baptist churches who are under seven years of age. By this method we found, according to the statistics from the United States Government which were prepared by at least four of the highest authorities of the nation, that the Mississippi Baptist income for 1932 was \$81,296,250.00. A tithe of this amount which Mississippi Baptists earned is \$8,129,625.00. Mississippi Baptists gave in one year for all religious work, local and denominational, \$1,443,034.00. Deducting this from the total tithe we find \$6,686,591.00 of the Lord's money which Baptist people of Mississippi used for themselves during the year 1932. If the tithe is still holy to the Lord, and if the Lord still curses with a curse His people as He said He did in the days of Malachi, then it is easy to see why it is necessary to call upon the National Government for aid. It should also be as easy to see that this call will not bring permanent relief. The Lord's preachers should cry aloud and warn the people to bring their tithes into God's work in order that permanent relief may come.

OUR FINANCIAL STANDING RESTORED

If 2,484 people would give according to the following schedule, Mississippi Baptists' credit would be restored, and we could move out of the defaulting line:

10 people giving	\$ 100.00
14 people giving	75.00
20 people giving	50.00
40 people giving	25.00
80 people giving	12.50
100 people giving	10.00
160 people giving	6.25
200 people giving	5.00
400 people giving	2.50
500 people giving	2.00
1,000 people giving	1.00
2,484 people giving	\$11,050.00

100,000 CLUB

The following statement was given out by the Executive Committee at the close of their session Monday night, July 31, regarding the proposed Southwide One Hundred Thousand Club.

The Executive Committee does not presume to think that its opinion would have any particular weight with Mississippi Baptists, but since numerous inquiries have reached members of the Committee about the One Hundred Thousand One Dollar per month Club endorsed by the Southern Baptist Convention for the payment of Southwide debts only,—we take this opportunity to say to all the Baptists of Mississippi that it is our unanimous opinion that this movement deserves the hearty support of Mississippi Baptists.

At our last State Convention held in Gulfport this ringing declaration was heartily voted: "It is the firm purpose and determination of Mississippi Baptists, speaking through their State

Convention, to pay our debts, and we hereby dedicate ourselves to that task,—That we say to our creditors that the 'Faith and Credit' of Mississippi Baptists will be maintained AT PAR." Our State debts are now pressing and most embarrassing, but we believe that our people would quickly pass the same resolution with reference to Southwide debts. The interest of Mississippi Baptists is not limited to Mississippi institutions and agencies, but now, as always, we recognize our obligation to all our Southern Baptist Boards and Agencies and accept fully our share of responsibility for the debts of all.

We do appeal, however, to all of our people to make their answer to this Southwide debt appeal—strictly an "OVER AND ABOVE" offering—and we urge continued loyal and liberal support, first to the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM, and second to the pressing and immediate need for funds to meet our own State debts.

The One Hundred Thousand Club plan will supersede all other Southwide debt paying campaigns in Mississippi, and will therefore mean that our Fall Campaign already planned will not include any Southwide debts.

We endorse the Southwide One Hundred Thousand Club movement, personally, and urge our people to support it as they may find themselves able.

ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS

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- Pike Co. Oct. 3-4, Progress Church—12 miles S. E. of Magnolia.
- Scott Co. Oct. 3-4, Sardis Church—Sebastopol, Miss.
- Tishomingo Co. Oct. 3-4, Golden Church.
- Union, Oct. 4, Elmo Church.
- Smith Co. Oct. 4-5, Beulah Church—Polkville, Miss.
- Bolivar Co. Oct. 5, Morrison Chapel Church—Cleveland, Miss.
- Franklin Asso. Oct. 5, Ramah Church, McCall.
- Winston Co. Oct. 5, Union Ridge Church.
- Yazoo Co. Oct. 5, Melrose Church.
- Chickasaw Co. Oct. 5-6, Amity Church.
- Perry Co. Oct. 5-6, Union Baptist Church.
- Covington Co. Oct. 5-6, New Hope Church.
- Holmes Co. Oct. 5-6, Emory Church.
- Lawrence Co. Oct. 5-6, Calvary Church.
- Mississippi, Oct. 5-6, Amite River Church.
- Tallahatchie Co. Oct. 5-6, Charleston Church.
- Itawamba Co. Oct. 6-7, Shiloh Church—12 miles E. of Baldwyn.
- Marion Co. Oct. 6-7, Bunker Hill Church.
- Oktibbeha, Oct. 7, Liberty Church, Kemper Co.
- Deer Creek, Oct. 10, Hollandale Church.
- Jackson Co. Oct. 10, Fort Bayou Church.
- Leflore Co. Oct. 10, Greenwood First Church.
- Panola Co. Oct. 10, Pilgrims Rest Church—15 miles E. of Batesville.
- Greene Co. Oct. 12-13, Washington Church—Neely, Miss.
- Harrison Co. Oct. 13.
- Leake Co. Oct. 13, Mars Hill Church.
- Kosciusko, Oct. 13-14, County Line Church—Dossville, Miss.
- Walthall Co. Oct. 14, Magee's Creek Church.
- Newton Co. Oct. 17-18, New Ireland Church—3 miles W. of Union.
- Simpson Co. Oct. 17-18, Magee Church.
- Clarke Co. Oct. 18-19, Pachuta Church.
- Hinds-Warren, Oct. 19, Beulah Church—near Brownsville.
- Lincoln Co. Oct. 19-20, Moaks Creek Church.
- Riverside, Oct. 19-20, Walnut Church—9 miles S. W. of Lambert.
- Jeff Davis Co. Oct. 20, Society Hill Church.

If there are any corrections in these meetings, please notify the Baptist Convention Board office.

Dr. G. P. White of Hablehurst assisted the Pastor T. W. Talkington in a week's meeting at Crystal Springs. There were 32 additions, fourteen of them the last night. Dr. White received two by letter and two for baptism at Hazlehurst on Sunday. He had been away in a meeting at Heuck's Retreat for a week with Pastor John Sproles, where there were twelve additions.

STATEMENT FROM THE SOCIAL SERVICE COMMISSION, SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

The Social Service Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention in session at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, on July 20, 1933, issues to the press and to the American people the following statement:

1. The Eighteenth Amendment is still in the Constitution. It can be kept in the Constitution, and will be kept in the Constitution, if the citizens opposed to liquor will arouse themselves, avail themselves of their opportunity, and meet courageously their obligations. If they fail, we shall lose our greatest piece of moral and economic legislation.

2. The right and prerogative of amending the Constitution of the United States is jealously reserved by the states to themselves, except that Congress may propose amendments whenever two-thirds of each House deems it necessary. The President has no power of approval or disapproval of proposed amendments. It is a violation of the spirit of the Constitution for the Federal Government or any of its executive officers to become active concerning the ratification of any proposed amendment. The Constitution does not contemplate that the matter of amending the Constitution should ever become a partisan issue. The states reserve to themselves the free and untrammelled expression of their will as sovereign units. We appeal to the citizens of the several states to vote their convictions, regardless of pressure from any source, and regardless of party considerations. The Constitution of the United States belongs to the whole people and ought to be amended only by the people in the free expression of their will, and in keeping with the letter and spirit of the Constitution itself.

3. If the Eighteenth Amendment should be repealed, much of the achievement of our age-long fight against the liquor traffic will remain. Three-fourths of the territory and two-thirds of the population of the United States were under state and local prohibition laws before the enactment of national prohibition. Most of these laws are still in force. It is of highest importance that these state and local laws be maintained in their full strength and integrity. On this foundation, the opponents of the liquor traffic would marshal their forces and carry forward their fight for the complete extermination of the liquor traffic. They will not quit until the fight is won.

4. The very structure of our government, both federal and state, is now threatened. As demonstration of the lawlessness of the liquor traffic and the chaos into which the wet propaganda has betrayed us, we cite:

(a) Some states have been openly defiant of the Federal Constitution, and Federal statutes as the supreme law of the land. Thus the union of states in a general government is imperiled.

(b) In some states, political subdivisions are enacting ordinances to legalize the sale of beer, in open and known defiance of their state laws.

We appeal to the citizens and government of these several states to assert and maintain the integrity and sovereignty of the states over their entire jurisdiction. If counties and municipalities can defy and own state governments, the state itself falls to pieces.

5. We warn our people everywhere against the use of beer, which has already been "legalized," and which the wet press, the wet politicians, and the brewing interests seek to popularize. Beer is a habit forming beverage, creating a desire for still stronger alcoholic drinks. It is an enemy to health, industrial efficiency, and economic prosperity; it is a peril in our machine age. No greater calamity could befall America than for our citizens to become addicted to the use of this destructive beverage.

6. The sentiment for total abstinence and sobriety must be built up. Everywhere—in church, in Sunday school, in Young People's Societies, and in day school—should immediately

be begun a program of intensive education. The various prohibition societies and agencies of the nation, so effective in the past, should rehabilitate themselves for aggressive and militant service. A reaction of the nation to the moral and human welfare ideals, of which prohibition is an example, is bound to come, and our Christian temperance people can greatly hasten its coming. Sobriety and Prohibition are sure to win in the end. Religion, science, and common sense are all on our side. And liquor has not changed its nature. It is just as wicked and defiant and destructive today as it has ever been. We call upon all friends of humanity to gird themselves and to move steadily and unitedly forward. The Right will prevail, for Right is Right and God is God.

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THE BAPTIST HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB W. W. Hamilton, Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, La.

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When the test came Gideon's 32,000 dwindled to 300, but "the sword of the Lord and of Gideon" brought victory. Southern Baptists can succeed if 30 out of 40 fail and turn back, and if only 1 in 40 will stand "every man in his place."

1. It is over and above. No one must, under any condition, take from the regular work for this. Two horses are pulling our Baptist wagon. The Cooperative Program provides for our running expenses and the Hundred Thousand Club for our debts.

2. It is necessary. We are saved people. We are Christians. We will pay the obligations on the installment plan for our property which was bought on that plan. "Debts! Debts! Baptist Debts!" is not a retreat but a charge.

3. It is wanted. Our people are eager to take hold and pay. They will succeed with any plan on which they agree. The Committees and Convention approved this plan.

4. It is definite. The request is for \$1.00 per month, and does not require any great amount from anybody. Surely almost any child could sacrifice and save this much.

5. It is personal. This is not an appeal to churches, societies, brotherhoods, classes, unions, but to individuals, and must be a personal contribution to a definite purpose.

6. It is simple. There is no complicated machinery. There are no paid officials nor agents. There is no expense. Each \$1.00 goes 100%. The amount is put into an extra envelope, and is sent through the regular church and state treasurer.

7. It is workable. It will require that only one in every forty Southern Baptists shall join. We have enough deacons, Sunday school teachers, or members of W.M.U. or brotherhoods, or B. Y. P. U. leaders in our Baptist churches to meet this need.

8. It is comprehensive. It takes in all the debts of our Southern Baptist Convention agencies and institutions, and proposes to help them meet their "debt needs" as they come due.

9. It is challenging. In the 75 Million Campaign we gave 53 million dollars in five years. In another five years the Hundred Thousand Club can pay the \$5,654,937.57.

10. It is succeeding. The official families of our organized work have signed up. In a little mission church in French Louisiana 8 have joined the club. In the little Napoleon Avenue Church, New Orleans, there are already 16 and there will probably be 20, and this struggling mission organization is composed in large measure of student nurses at the Baptist Hospital.

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On the first day of August the Baptist Bible Institute has to pay the interest on its bonded indebtedness. This interest amounts to about \$8,000. Dr. Hamilton is asking that those who believe in the work being done by this school for training young men and women, and in the mission work being done by them in New Orleans, will help him in this time of need.

WHAT THE BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE STANDS FOR

Dr. John W. Shapard

Professor of Missions and Practical Activities

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1. It stands for world-evangelization. Some of its students are finding their way out to the foreign fields in spite of the fact that our Foreign Mission Board is not able to send them. Recently a fine student, Sandy Sutherland, went out to the Pacific Islands. His messages of the dire needs and his heroic endeavors to meet them are thrilling in the extreme. Deaver Lawton made his way out to China last year—one of the most consecrated and wonderful spirits we have had in the Institute. Miss Etha Rae Gresham went out last year under the China Inland Mission. Others are planning and hoping to go.

2. It stands for a sound ideal in the training of the ministry and Christian workers. The laboratory method of training is applied throughout the course. Every student is required to get experience as he studies. Two assignments in the practical religious activities every week take the student into personal evangelism and the practice of preaching and leadership in religious work of every conceivable and difficult type. He must face and resolve for himself the practical problems of the ministry day by day and get practice with the oars. When he gets his diploma he is ready to launch out without uncertainty as to the outcome.

3. It stands for the deepening of spirituality. Some one criticized the Institute because of its emphasis on prayer. Is there anything more important for the student for the ministry to learn than how to pray? God's great servants have always been men and women of prayer. In the atmosphere of prayer the vision is clarified and the interests of the Kingdom are seen in their true perspective. The Institute is a wonderful house of prayer. It has become to many the very gate to heaven. Surely one of the great ambitions of the president and faculty of this institution is that it should inculcate the habit of prayer in all its students and give to the world ministers who shall be known for this ability and power with God in prayer.

4. The Institute stands for scholarly training. Practical efficiency is not sacrificed for a dry-as-dust type of non-productive scholarship. But the faculty of this institution recognizes fully the value of a thorough and scholarly training in the ministry and follows the tendency toward requirements more and more rigid. In these times of advancing standards, the minister must be a master not only in his own peculiar field of activity but must have a breadth of training as well. In pursuance of this ideal, the requirements have been raised recently in the Institute.

5. This institution stands for loyalty to the Word of God. The Bible is honored here as God's word. The deity of Jesus is the unquestioned basis of all our New Testament instruction. In most institutions in modern times there are usually two groups in the faculty and student body: a group which follows the ultra-liberal type of thought and a group which is conservative. The Institute has been blessed with a sane and conservative type of scholarship, which stands for loyalty to the old Book which has passed through the tests of the centuries unchanged and stood like a Gibraltar in the midst of the swirling currents and eddies of modern criticism.

6. The Institute stands for a practical training in faith. For the last two or three years the institution has been led through difficult places. It has witnessed wonderful manifestations of God's special care. Like the people of Israel who were taught, over and over, the lesson of faith in God, in the deliverance from Egypt, and the eventful journey through the desert, so have the students and others of this institution been made to see God's power to deliver and His ever-watchful providence. His leadership has been manifest. He has repeatedly given victory where defeat seemed imminent. This has been a fine practical training in faith for those who study here. The

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institution is operating on a faith basis. It is going forward vigorously with its work. Its faculty has for months not known what it was to have regular payments of full salary. They have passed through severe tests but God has sent enough to keep them going. He has tested them but cared for them. They have had opportunity to demonstrate their faith in God. This has been a demonstration school in faith and many students have been through the same test of their faith. The future ministry must be one of great faith in God. He needs such men for the leadership of His people. This is a great element in the training in the Institute now.

7. The Institute stands for **economy in the use of God's money.** This lesson has been a hard one for our people to learn. There has not been enough regard for the sacredness of the money contributed for the use of the Kingdom. One doubts, if money given by the individual for foreign missions should ever be allocated by any Board or secretary for any other purpose whatsoever. There is a principle as deep here as that of soul-liberty. A more questionable thing still is the lavish use of money contributed for great and needy causes of world evangelization and the building up of a body of trained workers to carry out the campaign instituted by Jesus. Too much money is used in large salaries and luxurious equipment of the home forces and emphasis is placed on the local instead of the world-wide interests of the Kingdom. This cannot be pleasing to the Lord. The Institute seeks to inculcate the ideal of rigid economy in the use of the funds contributed to carry on the cause. From the President to the youngest student this ideal is applied in the carrying on of this institution.

This institution nurtures these and many other precious ideals which have great value for the future of the cause of Christ. Such an institution merits the hearty support of every loyal Baptist in the South. **Each one who reads these lines can have a part, great or small in strengthening the Institute in its heroic struggle at this time.** Your help will be appreciated and will be fruitful. You can help vitally by offering a sincere and earnest prayer to God as you read these words. Ask God to send the help needed to meet the present obligations and to open the way for final victory. **Give something.** Your gift may be small but it will help.

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WHY THIS TROUBLE?

By Rev. Warren L. Steeves, D. D.,
Waterloo, Iowa.

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"O Lord, what is the meaning of all of this trouble that is come to me?" These are the words which dropped from the lips of a woman of refinement of soul and character. They expressed what is in the heart of multitudes of people when the storms and stresses of life come down upon them. They are not content with waiting to see the gentleness of the hand that chastens and the sweet providences of the Lord in the midst of their affliction.

God has said, "I will take this soul and put it through the furnace of trial and give to it something on which to rest its hope in the future when the storms assail their life."

We need more tools, in God's hand, and the only way to make strong instruments is by tempering them in the fire. Preachers who are to split great knotty problems must have the wedges of determination and conviction and the axes and hammers of resoluteness and purpose. We have enough ministers in our pulpits now, who are not keen, sharp, and well tempered.

I have seen the blacksmith in his shop take a dull, apparently worthless axe and temper it in his blast, and beat it and fashion it and I have also noted that that axe has become sharp and firm in the hand of the mechanic.

God is our great fashioner and when He wants some person that He will greatly use, He usually puts them in a position where men condemn their motives; where they suffer tribulations and the contumely of people. Out from these great experiences He uses them vastly in His service.

TEN IMPORTANT FACTS TO REMEMBER

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BAPTIST HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

By Frank Tripp, General Leader

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1. Use a separate card for each subscriber.
2. It is suggested that all pledges be dated as of May 1, 1933, so that the pledge will cover the period of the Southern Baptist Convention year.

3. The membership pledge should be for a period not less than one year. Many will want to subscribe for a five year membership.

4. When the card is signed it should be placed in the hands of the church treasurer or who ever has charge of the church finances where the subscriber holds membership.

5. The names and addresses of all members of the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club should be furnished the General Leader on the SUBSCRIPTION REPORT BLANK provided for that purpose. **This is very important.**

6. As soon as the names of the subscribers to Club membership have been filed with the General Leader, special Baptist Hundred Thousand Club envelopes in which monthly payments are to be made and all other supplies will be forwarded to each member through his or her church.

7. On or before the first of each month each member of the Club is to pay one dollar (\$1.00) through the regular church treasurer, using the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club envelopes provided for that purpose.

8. All church treasurers should open a special Baptist Hundred Thousand Club account on their records so that proper credit can be given each Club member for monthly payments, and so that the funds may be kept separate and sacred from all other church funds.

9. On the first of each month each church treasurer should send a check or money order for all money paid in during the previous month by members of the Club, to the State Mission Secretary of his state.

10. State Mission Secretaries and Treasurers are to remit all funds coming in to their offices to the treasurer of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention on the first and fifteenth of each month. By a vote of the Southern Baptist Convention, all money collected through the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club is to be applied on the debts of Southwide Agencies and should be regarded as designated funds.

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The utter and essential lawlessness of the liquor traffic is shown in the reported open sale of beer on the coast in defiance of the laws of the state. The liquor business never did obey any law which it could violate with safety, and never will.—To license the selling of alcoholic drinks is to put the whole people into the business of selling liquor. That means you and me. And the reason given for licensing liquor that it pays taxes or reduces our taxes, means that that is our profit from the business of selling liquor, the dividend paid us from the liquor business. In other words that is the price paid for our vote, the price paid for the sale of conscience, for the consent to rob women and little children and to damn men's souls and bodies.

—BR—

Mules in Georgia are opposed to plowing up cotton. Generations of mules have been trained not to step on cotton, and now they are rebelling against the administration. "Be not as the horse or mule."—The Baptist Department of the Church Housing Commission in Chicago (Room 808, 203 N. Wabash Ave.) offers to help visitors to the Century of Progress Exposition secure rooms at reasonable rates.—The Baptist Message says that a large per cent of the beer sellers in Louisiana will quit the business because they find it unprofitable. All this talk about people running over into beer states from dry states and spending their money there is bunkum, nothing but the lying habit that the liquor folks have gotten into.

CHEERING FROM THE SIDELINE

J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary-Treasurer
Home Mission Board

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Our President, Dr. M. E. Dodd, is proving himself to be the man for this hour of denominational need. He is aggressive but considerate, brilliant but humble, fluent but thoughtful, and energetic but orderly. I have not listened to a more constructive, forward-looking, kingdom-building, faith-begetting, and hope-inspiring denominational deliverance than the speech he made at the close of the meeting of the Promotional Committee in Nashville recently.

As I listened to President Roosevelt in his radio address Monday evening, July 24th, I was made to think of Dr. Dodd and his denominational rehabilitation program. In this address, which was an effort to challenge the support of the people of the United States, President Roosevelt said: "In war, in the gloom of night attack, soldiers wear a bright badge on their shoulders to be sure that comrades do not fire on comrades. On that principle, those who cooperate in this program must know each other at a glance. This is why we have provided a badge of honor for this purpose, a simple design with a legend, 'WE DO OUR PART', and I ask that all who join with me shall display that badge prominently. It is essential to our purpose." He said further: "If I am asked whether the American people will pull themselves out of this depression, I answer, 'THEY WILL IF THEY WANT TO'."

Dr. Dodd, the President of the Southern Baptist Convention, has a rehabilitation program for Southern Baptists. He cannot of himself make that program effective, but Southern Baptists can. We may have lost faith in plans and schemes and methods and devices, but we must not lose faith in God; we must not lose faith in the "strength of common purpose, and in the strength of united action," taken by the Baptists of the South.

There is a badge of honor for Southern Baptists to wear with a legend, the wearing of which indicates their determination to "go along with" the President of our Convention to victory. That badge of honor is the Hundred Thousand Club button; the legend is, "OVER AND ABOVE." Southern Baptists will pull themselves out of the denominational difficulties they are now in "IF THEY WANT TO." Let us follow Dr. Dodd, our President, to victory.

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We attended a meeting of Choctaw County Association, then known as Chester. Several of us were entertained in the home of a farmer who believed in the adage "early to bed and early to rise." He lived up to it a little ahead of anybody we have known. It seemed we had been only a short time in bed when he knocked on the door and said "Get up, it is three o'clock." We crawled out and had breakfast and sat out on the gallery long before there was any sign of daylight. Brother Dobbs, one of the messengers, while washing his face expressed his disapproval by saying, "I have always heard it said 'that it didn't make so much difference when you got up, just so you are awake when you get up.'" And we have thought about this when we hear brethren differ as to methods of mission work. It isn't the best method that decides the fate of the undertaking. It is the best work. If we could have more operation we would not be so much troubled about the cooperation. Let's try to get everybody to work.

—BR—

Dr. A. J. Holt is said to have willed his large library to the Baptist Bible Institute.—"Denatured Christianity" is what some one has called the community church.

—BR—

Since the Eighteenth Amendment was adopted the drink bill has decreased 70 per cent and the savings accounts have increased 211 per cent. Under prohibition America has become the richest country in the world.—Gov. Pat M. Neff.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

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Vice-Pres.—Mrs. G. W. Riley, Clinton, Miss. Mission Study—Mrs. Edgar Giles, Avalon, Miss. Training School Trustee—Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Miss Edwina Robinson, our new Young People's Leader, is now on the field. She comes to us well prepared for the task that lies ahead of her. She is a graduate of Blue Mountain College and our W.M.U. Training School, Louisville, Ky., and has had practical experience in dealing with young people as Educational Secretary in First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., and First Baptist Church, San Marcos, Texas. She is not only prepared educationally and by practical experience, but she has consecrated her all to Him for service. We will find in her a genial and refreshing character, who is always ready to give her best to the immediate work at hand.

Send her a word of welcome and put her on your prayer list.



MISS EDWINA ROBINSON

THEME: "That the World May Believe."

Jno. 17:21.

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AGAIN, AUGUST 19-21, 1933

At Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss.

ARRIVE SATURDAY AFTERNOON.
NO SOONER!! NO LATER!!

Opens 3:00 P. M. August 19, closes 1:30 Aug.
21.

\$1.75 for the whole time, one leader free for every five girls.

Bring Bible, bathing suit, pillow and pillow case, sheets, towels and one white candle.

Bring your instrument for talent time.

Meet Miss Juliette Mather and other leaders there.

Impressions, Zeal, Instructions and fun for all.

REGISTER NOW! BE COURTEOUS AND
SEND NAMES TO: MRS. MARY GRAY, CLIN-
TON, MISS. BY AUGUST 15TH! DO NOT FAIL
TO DO THIS!

ABSOLUTELY NO RESERVATIONS CAN
BE MADE AFTER AUGUST 17TH.

The College is limited in its facilities for carrying for a large crowd—that's why we MUST let them know in time to prepare for us.

We are receiving daily responses from the officers and leaders of the W.M.U. regarding the One Hundred Thousand Club. Many have pledged themselves to give the one dollar per month. Some are saying they approve of the plan but are not financially able to sign up. If these will tell others who are able that will help.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE JULY 30, 1933

Jackson, First Church	732
Jackson, Calvary Church	789
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	450
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	427
Jackson, Parkway Church	165
Jackson, Northside Church	75
Meridian, First Church	627
Durant Baptist Church	124
Columbus, First Church	529

BYPU ATTENDANCE JULY 30	
Jackson, First Church	83
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	210
Jackson, Northside Church	25
West Point, First Church	122
Columbus, First Church	131

Pastor R. O. Bankston announces revivals for the summer as follows: Hebron (Henryville) on the fourth Sunday in July and the following week. Dr. E. T. Wright, the beloved

pastor of West Point doing the preaching. On the first Sunday in August and continuing through the week the revival at Walthall is to convene. The revival at Pheba, with Dr. J. D. Ray of Starkville doing the preaching is to begin the 2nd Sunday and continue through the week. The third Sunday at Cedar Bluff. The pastors of the churches doing the preaching. We ask for prayers of the Christian brethren.

HERE'S ANOTHER

What Dr. Tull of Middlesboro, Kentucky, has to say through your columns about the sale of beer in his city inspired me to make mention of some things that have come under my observation recently.

For several months I have made two trips each week to New Orleans through the country. When beer was legalized I had a chance to see how "everybody" in the Crescent City took to it. From comment I heard all over the city it did not sell with the boom that newspapers predicted it would. In fact it seemed that after the great first day the sales began to decline. A few weeks ago near the French Market where business goes on night and day, I saw a sign which read, "Sandwiches served free with each glass of beer." In another part of the city a sign said, "Hamburger given with each glass of beer." It seems that these places at least were being forced to offer liberal inducements to get the wonderful 3.2 per cent drunk. Just below the Mississippi line a "first Chance" beer garden opened up and despite the fact that they seemed to do very little business three more places appeared in rapid succession. I passed these places all hours of the day and night and have never seen more than

four cars at any one of them. Most don't want beer. If you care to print any part or all of this you may. P. E. Cullom.

Southern Baptists Can

DOLLAR THEIR DEBTS TO DEATH

BY ENROLLING IN THE BAPTIST HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

A movement seeking to enlist at least one hundred thousand members who will each pay.

ONE DOLLAR A MONTH

over and above their regular subscription to local expenses and the Cooperative Program.

AUGUST TWENTIETH

has been designated as a special day on which to enroll members in this great army of debt lifters. If you care to have a part in writing the most thrilling chapter in the history of Southern Baptists, join us today and then help us reach other members of your church.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

1. Membership cards may be secured from your pastor, W.M.U. and B.Y.P.U. Secretaries or Sunday School Superintendent.
2. If these do not have a sufficient amount of supplies write your state secretary of Missions, your state B.Y.P.U. Sunday School or W.M.U. Secretary for as many as may be required.
3. All supplies, including envelopes in which to make monthly payments through the regular church treasurer, are furnished WITHOUT COST to all members of the Club.
4. The Baptist Sunday School Board is paying all expenses of printing, postage, etc., so that all of your dollar goes to pay debts.
5. We are not asking a few people to make large gifts but many people to make small gifts.

THE BAPTIST HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB
FRANK TRIPP, General Leader
ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI

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FEEN-A-MINT
EVERYBODY
RECOMMENDS IT



Don't give up when ordinary laxatives fail. Feen-a-mint is safer and more effective. The chewing does it. It spreads the medicine a little at a time over a wide area of the intestines, producing a gradual natural action. Tastes like any minty chewing gum.

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MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

W. L. MEADOWS, State President
Morton, Miss.

AUBER J. WILDS, General Secretary
Oxford, Miss.

THERE IS BUT ONE THING BETTER THAN A SAVED SOUL, AND THAT IS, A SAVED SOUL PLUS A SAVED LIFE, THE B. Y. P. U. ADDS THE PLUS



W. L. Meadows

Because of conditions existing during the early spring months, it was thought to be wise and expedient to call off the annual Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Convention for the year 1933. Therefore, I am taking advantage of this opportunity to send greetings and a brief message to all our workers.

Our own great field, right here in Mississippi, is just as "White unto harvest" today, and the challenge to service is just as great today, as it has ever been in the history of Mississippi Baptists. I cannot over emphasize the importance of our work, and the very urgent necessity of giving our best, in thought, talent and time, to the promotion of our program for the development of Christian character.

Thousands of our splendid Baptist young people stand ready and eager to enter into a larger sphere of real Christian service, but willingness alone does not thoroughly qualify people for great undertakings. The charge has been made "that so many Baptists are standing idle" in the churches today, but thousands of our Baptist people, and more especially young Baptists are standing and facing us with the reply,

THE B.Y.P.U. AND THE BAPTIST RECORD



Auber J. Wilds

We are happy to present to the readers of the Baptist Record this enlarged copy. Each month, for awhile, we will have this sixteen page paper coming out the first Thursday in the month. The B.Y.P.U.'s of the state are paying for the extra eight pages and using four of them for themselves, making a contribution of the other four to the Record for the editor to use as he sees best.

The B.Y.P.U.'s are in a great campaign, just starting, ending with the close of August, for subscriptions to the Baptist Record. We have set as our goal 2,500 new subscriptions, and this has been divided on the basis given below. In addition to the quotas suggested below we are asking each B.Y.P.U. to accept a quota equivalent to the number of families represented in their B.Y.P.U. This applies to all unions, Juniors,

to the charge of idleness, "No man hath hired us" to which reply many of us as pastors and leaders can only bow our heads and acknowledge that their failure is our fault. In order to meet this obligation that develops upon us, as pastors and leaders, we must have a well defined program of training in church activities that will thoroughly equip our young Christians for their duties and responsibilities.

Mississippi Baptist Young People! Let me urge you that we strive to lead, in proportion to our enrollment, all Southern States in the number of "Standard" unions, but more especially in our educational phase of our work. I am urging every officer, as I remind myself anew, that we shall give our best to this undertaking. Remember "Not failure, but low aim is crime." May we now set a worthy goal, and strive to reach it?

Now for our new challenge! Every president—all down the line—ready for our Baptist Record subscription campaign. It is our great privilege to find 2,500 new subscribers. Your quota is small compared to your great possibilities. I hope that we shall reach the goal in fifteen days beginning August the first. We shall give ourselves until the task is completed and the goal reached. Up and at it for 2,500 new subscribers.

Intermediates, Seniors and Adults.

The simple suggestion is that the union lead each member first of all to secure from his parents or home a subscription, and then for a committee to be appointed to work the other membership of the church. We have about fifty thousand Baptist homes in the state that do not now take the Baptist Record. When we know that, we can see how small the task we have assigned to ourselves. We hope however that when the records have been compiled that not 2,500 new subscribers, but nearer 5,000 will have been secured.

August is a good month for a simultaneous study course for your association.

August is a good month for an "Associational B.Y.P.U. picnic.

August is a good month for organizing a new B.Y.P.U. in your association.

August is a good month to start on the road to A-1-ville. Not too late to set this quarter as the time for reaching it.

QUOTAS IN BAPTIST RECORD CAMPAIGN

District	Division	Association
ONE 450	Jackson	175 Hinds-Warren, 150—Copiah, 25.
	Forest	135 Scott, 35—Rankin, 35—Simpson, 35—Smith, 30.
	Canton	140 Holmes, 35—Yazoo, 35—Madison, 35—Leake, 35.
TWO 500	Leland	175 Bolivar, 50—Sunflower, 50—Deer Creek, 75.
	Grenada	175 Tallahatchie, 30—Yalobusha, 40—Grenada, 30—Leflore, 25—Carroll, 15—Montgomery, 35.
	Sardis	150 Goldwater, 20—Tate, 35—Riverside, 60—Panola, 35.
THREE 375	New Albany	110 Marshall, 25—Lafayette, 25—Union County, 25—Tippah, 25—Benton, 10.
	Booneville	125 Alcorn, 30—Tishomingo, 20—Prentiss, 20—Lee, 35—Ittawamba, 20.
	Pontotoc	140 Pontotoc, 35—Calhoun, 35—Chickasaw, 35—Monroe, 35.
FOUR 500	Ackerman	145 Zion, 25—Choctaw, 25—Kosciusko, 65—Winston, 30.
	Columbus	155 Clay, 40—Oktibbeha, 40—Columbus, 50—Noxubee, 25.
	Meridian	200 Neshoba, 30—Kemper, 15—Newton, 30—Lauderdale, 125.
FIVE 450	Laurel	175 Jasper, 25—Clark, 25—Jones, 100—Wayne, 25.
	Hattiesburg	150 Lamar, 15—Forrest, 75—Perry, 30—Green, 30.
	Coast	125 Pearl River, 50—Stone, 15—George, 5—Harrison, 35—Hancock, 5—Jackson, 15.
SIX 375	Prentiss	100 Covington, 35—Jeff Davis, 30—Marion, 35.
	McComb	175 Lincoln, 50—Lawrence, 20—Pike, 75—Walthall, 30.
	Natchez	100 Union, 20—Franklin, 45—Mississippi, 35.

B. Y. P. U. DISTRICT ONE---W. CENTRAL SECTION OF STATE



W. C. Howard
Forest
District President

My ambition for B.Y.P.U. District No. 1 is five-fold. First, that we give more attention to the organizing of new unions. I am interested in the Junior, Intermediate and Senior unions, but I am more deeply concerned about our B.A.U.'s. I am convinced as a pastor that the solution to many problems arising in the Junior, Intermediate and Senior unions is to be found in the organizing of a B.A.U. Personally I couldn't get along without my B.A.U.'s.

Second, that we magnify our missionary programs more. Our young people will respond to the call of our missionary program if they know the facts.

Third, that we as pastors, directors and sponsors seek to bring about a deeper spiritual life among our folk. We may reach the standard in our local unions, but if we fail to fortify our folk spiritually we have failed in the main thing.

Fourth, that District One shall lead out in a more intensive program of soul-winning.

Fifth, that each individual B.Y.P.U. shall give to our beloved State Secretary the best cooperation possible, reporting to him quarterly.



P. D. Bragg
Pickens.
Pres. Canton Div.

In District No. One the division embracing Holmes, Yazoo, Madison and Leake Counties, has adopted for its name the Canton Division. Since this division is the central division within the state we shall endeavor to serve as the hub around which all the other divisions will revolve. If they roll toward the accomplishment of a worthy goal, the Canton Division will be found in the center of this progressive movement.

Instead of generating a lot of false "pep" that is only spontaneous and spasmodic we shall purpose to produce permanent and productive enthusiasm in keeping with the derivative meaning of the word (in God). We hope to arrive at that place where preparation must be translated into practice, where faith must vision itself in service. This strength should be felt in the program of the church to evangelize, to enlist and to instruct a lost world. We want every union within the Canton Division to move forward solely for God's reason, and entirely dependent upon the presence and power of God in the accomplishment of a worthy goal.



R. E. Morgan
Jackson
Pres. Jackson Div.

We named our division the Jackson Division because Jackson was the largest city in the division and everybody knows where Jackson is. This division though the smallest in point of associations, only having two, is one of the largest in number of BYPU's and opportunities. Vicksburg offers one of the best mission fields for B.Y.P.U. activities; Clinton with Mississippi College furnishes an opportunity for the B.Y.P.U.'s to touch in a definite way the entire state for Christ; Mississippi Baptist Children's Home located at Jackson, furnishes unexcelled opportunities for training; and Jackson with its fast growing population gives every BYPU a challenge to be up and doing in the matter of enlistment. The BYPU's of our division are meeting the challenge through its organized efforts. Jackson has one of the best city BYPU's in the South, with Miss Lena Scott Price president. She states that in their City Training School in November they expect to enlist 700. The Hinds-Warren Associational BYPU is active with Clifton Tate president. Copiah County Associational BYPU one of the oldest and best in the state continues to do good work.



Vernal Stockstill
Magee
Pres. Forest Div.

At the District B. Y. P. U. Convention in Canton our division issued a challenge to the other two divisions in District One. The challenge was that our division would organize two divisions. We are working on that phase of our extension work and do not fear the acceptance of the challenge. Our division, the Forest Division, is composed of Rankin, Scott, Smith and Simpson; four of the best B.Y.P.U. counties in the state. All four have good active Associational B.Y.P.U.'s that are doing splendid work. The president of these organizations are wide awake and on the job. We are also fortunate in having a group of pastors in each of these associations that are much interested in B.Y.P.U. We are fortunate in having the president of the District as one of three pastors, and also the president of the State Convention as another. We are to have a Divisional Conference the first Sunday in September. This meeting will be in Puckett. Puckett is just about the center of the division and we urge every B. Y. P. U. in the division to be well represented at this meeting.

B. Y. P. U. DISTRICT THREE---N. E. SECTION OF STATE



John N. Kellogg
Rienzi
District President

District Three is comprised of Fourteen Hill Counties in the Northeast corner of our state. We have a large and enthusiastic group of young people in each of these counties. These young people are ready and waiting to find their places in the army of the Lord and it is our privilege as well as our duty to help line them up.

Before the end of this year, we want to go into each county that does not have an Associational B.Y.P.U. and organize one, and get it to functioning. We then want to help each Association go into every Baptist church in its respective county where there is no B.Y.P.U. at present and organize one or more unions in each church. In a word our aim is to have a B.Y.P.U. in every Baptist church in District Three so that all members, but especially the young people will be trained in the work of the church.

Our District is blessed with three wide-awake and efficient Divisional Presidents who are on the job all the time, and I feel confident that we will carry out this program without any trouble.



J. W. T. Siler
Chalchote
Pres. N. Albany Div.

Plans are being made to have the New Albany Divisional B.Y.P.U. Conference at Holly Springs this Fall. Plans are being made for next year's work and it is hoped that the Conference will help to materialize the program to be put into action. We shall profit from last year's experience and attempt a broader field of service next year.

A campaign of instruction is anticipated. In this we hope to make use of the Study Courses, Schools of Missions and Conferences. We hope to reach a better understanding of the problem of the Country Church and the B.Y.P.U. Certainly there is a proper approach in training the Youth of the Rural Community for Christian service.

We wish to encourage evangelistic services through the various unions. We shall advocate the individual members becoming active in soul-winning. We shall be seeking plans for practical service, when put into action mean "Kingdom Progress."



Chas. Bucy
Plantersville
Pres. Booneville Div.

We, as B.Y.P.U. workers, believe that the young people of every church, no matter how small, are entitled to the training which the B.Y.P.U. offers, therefore, organizing B.Y.P.U.'s in churches that have no unions is the first aim of our division. We hope to work through the Associational B.Y.P.U.'s that are organized now and in order that this work may be done in the other associations we plan to organize these counties that are not now organized.

With the cooperation of our pastors the B.Y.P.U.'s hope to conduct special evangelistic meetings for the young people, and hold mission study courses, in every church that will cooperate. We have a group of five young people already pledged to go into any church in any of our five counties, Alcorn, Tishomingo, Prentiss, Itawamba and Lee, to teach study courses, thereby trying to carry out the command of the Lord as given in the Great Commission "Go ye therefore and teach all nations." Our division will raise its quota in the Baptist Record Campaign. And will hold a one day divisional meeting in September, time and place to be announced later.



S. L. Dobbs
Calhoun City
Pres. Pontotoc Div.

The following counties make up Pontotoc Division: Pontotoc, Chickasaw, Monroe and Calhoun. W. L. Mounce of Ecu is president of Pontotoc Association. Chickasaw is led by Hugh Collins of Van Vleet, Calhoun has H. W. Hannaford of Pittsboro for president. At present Monroe County has no active county organization. Our next divisional meeting will be held at Pontotoc church December 1st. The program for this meeting will be given in an issue of the B.Y.P.U. supplement of the Record.

The Pontotoc division is going to respond to the proposal of securing their quota of the 2,500 new subscriptions for the Baptist Record. Chickasaw and Calhoun Counties have already endorsed the project. Pontotoc Association will have taken action before this goes to press.

We expect this to be our banner year in holding study courses. The young people are being urged to assist pastorless churches, and communities without churches to hold evangelistic services. One of our foremost aims as B.Y.P.U. workers is to increase the number of people who have contact with B.Y.P.U. work.

B. Y. P. U. DISTRICT FOUR---E. CENTRAL SECTION OF STATE



R. D. Pearson
Macon
District President

With the District Convention behind us, we are ready to face our tasks and problems and to grasp our opportunities for the coming year. These things call for efficient organization and for the full cooperation on every hand. With Myrick, Puckett, and Perry to lead as Divisional Presidents we expect District Four to get results.

It seems to me that we have unusual opportunity for far-reaching service to the Kingdom of our Christ in our campaign for subscriptions to the Baptist Record. Surely in such times as these, when practically every secular paper is taking a stand for worldliness and sin, we should have our Baptist paper in every Baptist Home. Our Baptist Young People have really taken their place in the line of battle when they undertake this task. They are fighting for their Christ and for their generation.

Let us plan to attend our Divisional meetings in full force, to set up a live county organization where we do not already have one, and to QUICKLY reach our quota of subscriptions for the Baptist Record.

District Four, Let's Go!



Granville Myrick
Kosciusko
Pres. Ackerman Div.

The name "Ackerman Division" was selected for Attala, Choctaw, Webster and Winston Counties; Ackerman being located at the intersection of the main highways running through all four counties.

In general, it is the aim of this division that every association in this division shall be organized into an active Associational B. Y. P. U. and through each association endeavor to see that each B. Y. P. U. has a study course at least once a year, and through cooperative efforts organize unions in every church where there are B.Y.P.U. possibilities.

It is our aim to do some real evangelistic and missionary work through mission schools, and young people's revivals sponsored by the young people. We also plan to hold an annual one day meeting of the division in September.

We will cooperate in the campaign for new subscriptions to the Baptist Record. We have set as our goal one hundred fifty (150) subscriptions. All young people will be expected to cooperate in this campaign.

We are glad to report that since the meeting of District Four Convention the Kosciusko Association has been organized.



Niles Puckett
Columbus
Pres. Columbus Div.

The Columbus Division is composed of Clay, Oktibbeha, Noxubee and Lowndes Counties. Noxubee and Clay have active associational B.Y.P.U.'s, while Lowndes and Oktibbeha do not have these organizations, though a large amount of extension work is done by several of the more active B.Y.P.U. departments.

Gordon Coleman of Montpelier is president of the Clay County Association. This organization is doing extra good work. Noxubee County Association is also doing good work with C. O. Estes of Brooksville as president.

One of our chief objectives is to do our part in putting over the Baptist Record campaign. Our quota for the four counties is 175 subscriptions and we hope to exceed this amount.

Our divisional conference will be held in October or November. Our conference, held last November at West Point, was quite a success with over two hundred delegates attending.

At this conference definite plans will be made to promote evangelistic work, church schools of missions, and study courses.



Kermit R. Cofer
Water Valley
Pres. Grenada Div.

Our ideal for the convention year 1933-1934 is a working B.Y.P.U., reaching all the possibilities, in every Baptist Church of our Division. This is a task, an ideal.

Toward this end, therefore, it is desired and contemplated that every one of the six counties in the division be organized into a County B.Y.P.U. Association. This will enable each county to learn the needs of its weaker unions and also to organize for a definite program of extension to churches which have no organization. All ready, there are three county organizations functioning in splendid fashion, Tallahatchie, Montgomery, and Yalobusha. It is the purpose of the divisional president to arrange in the near future for a conference with county leaders in the three counties, Grenada, Carroll, and LeFlore, with a view to organization of those counties.

Our divisional meeting is set for the fifth Sunday of October, and will be held with the Itta Bena Baptist Church. The suggested program of the State BYPU Dept. will be largely followed and definite steps toward active work in the suggested things of the State Secretary will be taken.

B. Y. P. U. DISTRICT FIVE---S. E. SECTION OF STATE



W. L. Compere
Ellisville
District President

We magnify the individual B. Y. P. U.

Marvelous progress has been made in B. Y. P. U. work since it was first begun. There has come the graded work for Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors; the story hour and B.A.U. have been added; the B. Y. P. U. Department of the church has been developed, together with the larger organizations of Association, Division and District. But with all this advance, we must not lose sight of the fact that the individual B. Y. P. U. is still the unit of organization.

It is in the individual B. Y. P. U. that many young Christians make their first attempt to speak for Christ, and to form the habit of daily devotional reading of the Bible; there they catch the vision of greater service for Christ. Hence, we should give more emphasis to the individual union. As we plan for the promotion of extension work in the Associations we should seek to enlist every active B. Y. P. U., because of the value of this work to the B. Y. P.U.'s that do it. These are some of the things we plan to do in District Five.



W. E. Hellen
Laurel
Pres. Laurel Div.

Those of us who attended the Assembly at Hattiesburg were led to the mountain top of Christian experience. We are now back in our respective fields of work, with the determination to do great things for the Lord in our B.Y.P.U. work.

In the Laurel division our aim is to lead our young people out into some practical Christian service. Many of our fine young folk realize, that to be a Christian, they must be Christ-like, in life and in work.

For the next month, in our division, we have two definite things which we are going to put over. Namely: We are planning three Associational Clinics. We will begin in Jasper County at Bay Springs, August 7; Wayne County at Waynesboro, August 8; Clark County at Quitman, August 9. At these clinics we want the officers of each B. Y. P. U. in the association to attend. The second thing we are planning is to assist in getting our Baptist Record into the homes of 2,500 Baptist people. This will be an easy task, if all our B.Y.P.U. folk, will put forth the effort. The Lord will do great things for us, if we will just let Him.



Wallace Harrell
Hattiesburg
Pres. Hattiesburg Div.

Hello Hattiesburg Divisional BYPU's. This includes Lamar, Forrest, Perry and Green Counties. Lets all remember our conference on the fifth Sunday of October at Hattiesburg. Lunch will be served at the church by the home people. So you won't have to bring anything but a few nickles to pay for registration fees, which will be ten cents for Juniors and Intermediates and fifteen cents for Seniors and Adults.

This money will go to pay for banners and other incidental expenses that we incur. Yes, we are going to give banners to all four unions for the best report for the year, beginning October 1, 1932. So all unions bring your reports.

Our County-wide study course for Forrest County is to be held at First Church, Hattiesburg, and will run two weeks, beginning August 7th. Following that we hope to hold a young people's revival, and in the near future we expect to extend this work in the other counties of this division. I ask for your prayers in our Master's work and am ready to help any county in our division that I possibly can.



E. S. Flynt
Hattiesburg
Pres. Coast Div.

The Coast division has perhaps the greatest opportunity for rendering a more far-reaching service for our Lord than any other division in our state. Here we contact people from all over the world, therefore the responsibility upon the young people of this section is great. The task is no greater than the worker for I have never had the pleasure of working with a more loyal group of God-fearing and God-loving people than are here in this coast section. Every individual in our division is ready to do his best in carrying out any program of evangelism or missions that may be presented.

August will be Baptist Record Month. During this time we desire to see the Record placed in every Baptist home in our division. We have been assigned quotas and we will reach them, but it would be a finer thing to have the Baptist Record go into EVERY Baptist home every week. We can place it in these homes if all our young people catch step in this campaign. Dear Christian friends I am counting on you, young Baptists of Pearl River, Stone, George, Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties, the Coast Division.

B. Y. P. U. DISTRICT SIX---S. W. SECTION OF STATE



A. F. Crittendon
Brookhaven
District President

The young people of our district are intensely missionary in spirit and unanimously approved a resolution to cooperate with the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club movement. We have been training for missionary conquest and now our young people manifest their interest in missions by praying for the mission work and contributing of their means for the spread of the gospel.

The young people of our district also believe that sobriety is the best policy both for the individual and for the nation and pledged themselves not to drink intoxicating liquors and to exert their influence to keep others from drinking. They pledged themselves to aid in retaining and seeking to enforce our state and national prohibition laws. They believe that "Righteousness exalts a nation but sin is a reproach to any people."

Prospects for progress in our district are encouraging. With such leaders as our divisional presidents and the associational presidents of the various Associational B.Y.P.U.'s we confidently expect to see the work go forward in a most gratifying way.



Eugene I. Farr
Roxie
Pres. Natchez Div.

Associational Presidents Natchez Division: Prof. W. C. Morgan, Union Church; Union Association, Mr. Winfield (Windy) Rodriguez, Natchez; Franklin Association, Prof. Huddleston, Gloster; Mississippi Association.

On the second Sunday afternoon in each month the Natchez Senior B. Y. P. U. visits the State Hospital in their city. They conduct a song and prayer service in each ward and make personal visits with the patients. Many of the patients go back home saying that the B. Y. P. U. hour was their most pleasant experience during their period of hospitalization. Dr. Everett, the Superintendent of the hospital, and his corps of doctors and nurses are most courteous and encouraging to these young people in their efforts to do good.

The Divisional Conference will be held on October 29th. Watch this space next month for announcement of place of meeting. There will be Sword Drill and Memory Work Contests to cover the work for the third quarter. Suitable awards will be given to the winners in each. Recognition of number of subscriptions to Record will be made next time.



J. R. Rogers
Collins
Pres. Prentiss Div.

This issue of the Record brings to us some of the fruits of the vision of our capable State Secretary for an enlarged program and increased activities for our B.Y.P.U.'s, and I am reminded of a time many hundred years ago when God commanded "Speak Unto The Children of Israel That They Go Forward," and of a later command to Joshua to "Arise, Pass Over This Jordan." I firmly believe that our Young People are ready to lead the procession and, like the Priests of old, march down to the water's edge and witness the parting of the waters of the Jordan of our difficulties and pass across to Canaan, the Harvest Field of the World.

Speaking for the B.Y.P.U.'s of the Prentiss Division, we pledge our fidelity and courage to march onward and upward, to increase the sphere of our activities, and, in heroic action, with our colleagues in Christ to "Enlarge the place of our tents—stretch forth the curtains of our habitations—lengthen our cords—strengthen our stakes." The Lord's cause is destined to prevail, and with the spirit of our ancestors, our Young People are ready, to do His service at home and abroad.



R. L. Smith
McComb
Pres. McComb Div.

Walthal, Pike, Lincoln and Lawrence counties comprise the McComb Division. Three of these counties, Walthal, Pike and Lincoln have splendid Associational B.Y.P.U.'s. These organizations emphasize extension work, and once each quarter they meet as associational B.Y.P.U.'s for inspiration and to lay plans for future work. My best allies in the work I am doing as Divisional President are these associational officers. It is through them that we hope to reach our possibilities in number of B.Y.P.U.'s in the division, the number of study courses held, the number of evangelistic meetings for young people conducted, the number of Church Schools of Missions directed and the number of mission stations established.

The Baptist Record Campaign is our challenge for a showdown on the training we have received in making contacts with people. We expect the McComb division to more than reach its quota of 175.

Our convention last June in Natchez furnished inspiration enough, to more than 300 attending, to put over any program we undertake, and our general program includes a deepening of the spiritual life.

MISSISSIPPI A-1 B.Y.P.U.'S FOR SECOND QUARTER 1933

Given By Districts

District One—

Mt. Zion, Simpson Co. Seniors, Alice Grubbs President.
Carthage, Leake Co. Seniors, Margaret Gross, President.
Oakdale, Rankin Co. Seniors, Ruth Lawson, President.
A-2 Shady Grove, Copiah Co. Int., Mrs. H. R. Beasley, Leader.
Cheerful Workers, Shady Grove, Int., Mrs. E. V. Bridges, Leader.
Pilgrims Rest, Copiah Co. Intermediates, Mrs. J. L. Tillman, Leader.
Busy Bees, Crystal Springs Juniors, Mary E. Thompson, Leader.
William Carey, Magee Juniors, Nola Ainsworth, Leader.
Busy Bee, First Jackson, Juniors, Miss Bill Thompson, Leader.
Shady Grove, Copiah Co. Juniors, Mrs. W. C. King, Leader.

District Two—

Clarksdale Seniors, J. E. Williams, President.
J.O.Y. Greenville Seniors, Miss Tot Bduce, President.
Shelby Juniors, Mrs. J. S. Domengeaux, Leader.

District Three—

Oxford B.A.U., Mr. Frank W. Belk, President.
New Albany Juniors, Mrs. A. G. McCullar, Leader.
Calhoun City Juniors, Mrs. B. F. Kyle, Leader.

District Four—

E. F. Wright, West Point Juniors, Laura Lou Womack, Leader.
Auber J. Wilds, West Point Juniors, Allie Laura Stevens, Leader.

District Five—

Co-Laborers, County Line, Green Co. Seniors, Clois Smith, President.
Sunshine, Prospect, Perry Co. Seniors, Mrs. Edna Sims, President.
Bellefontaine, Jackson Co. Seniors, Miss Bailey Bilbo, President.
County Line, Green Co. Intermediates, Miss Sylvia Smith, Leader.
Zion Hill, Lebanon Asso. Intermediates, Miss Clytee Myrick, Leader.
Summerland Juniors, Mrs. S. H. McDanniel, Leader.

District Six—

South McComb, B.A.U. Mr. W. R. Sharpling, President.
East Fork, Mississippi Asso. B.A.U. Mr. Luther Campbell, President.
Ross, Brookhaven Intermediates, Mrs. Carl Kusanke, Leader.
Best Yet, Summit Intermediates, Miss Frances Evans, Leader.
Kees, Brookhaven Juniors, Miss Doris Bolian, Leader.
Woods, Pearlhaven, Lincoln Co. Jrs., Mrs. Ollie Ruth Jackson, Leader.
Summit Juniors, Miss Julia Brent, Leader.

We had a number of unions to miss the standard just by a fraction of a point, "a miss is as good as a mile" to keep you off the list, but not as bad as a mile for many of these unions have done excellent work, just failing in a very small point perhaps. We are asking District Presidents, Divisional Presidents, Associational Presidents, B.A.U. Presidents, Senior BYPU Presidents, Intermediate Leaders and Junior Leaders to study the above list and seek then to develop the efficiency of the individual union. Your B.Y.P.U. or B.A.U. should be on this list, why not put it there.

A B. Y. P. U. READER'S PRAYER

Lord, help me to read my Bible each successive day,
That I may hear thy voice, learn thy will and know thy way;
Help me to search the boundless depths of thy word, inspired,
That with love, service and vision my soul may be fired;
Help me to gather its radiance to light my faltering way,
Lord, help me to read my Bible each successive day.

To my church, my Sunday School and my BYPU,
Help me, Dear Father, to be always faithful, loyal and true;
Lead me to know the unsearchable riches of Thy Divine Grace,
To obey thy voice, follow thy footsteps and seek thy face;
Teach me thy statutes, thy plans unfold, I pray,
And help me to read my Bible each successive day.

Life's pitfalls must be evaded, its slimepits I must shun,
For my best belongs to Jesus and with patience I must run;
I must know my Savior better, I must preach His Holy Word,
And send the joyous tidings to those who have never heard;
But these tasks are easy for His Word points out the way;
So help me, Master, to read my Bible each successive day.

I pray that Thy Word, a lamp unto my feet may be,
That my light may shine for Jesus on the land and on the sea;
For I am grateful that in His great program He gave me a part.
And lest I sin against Him, His word I'll hide in my heart;
I'm glad the scriptures tell me just how to live and serve and pray,
And I beg that Jesus help me to read my Bible every day.

—J. R. Rogers, Collins, Miss.

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East Mississippi Department

By R. L. BRELAND

FORK, OR BETHLEHEM

Beginning the third Sunday in
July, I assisted Pastor B. E. Phillips
in his meeting at Bethlehem Baptist
Church, nick-named Fork, in Simp-
son County. I never had a more en-
joyable week and a more respon-
sive people. They took hard knocks
with a smile and kept coming. Con-
gregations were good at every serv-
ice. I did not hear one refuse who
was called on to pray, and many
led in prayer.

This church was organized 100
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dance and in morals. The pastor is
loved and is one of our best preach-
ers and pastors. Bro. Houston Wil-
liams is clerk and one of the most
active members. The singing was
led by Bro. J. F. Durden, one of
the fine members, ably assisted by
Bro. Luke Lane and H. Williams.

Some results were 5 baptized and
a resolve by many to reconsecrate
themselves to a closer walk with
God. A cesspool of sin which ex-
isted near by was condemned and
a prayer covenant formed to pray
for its elimination.

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S. L. Stringer, Pres.
Newton, Miss.

It was good to be with these fine
people. Among the leaders are Wil-
liams, Weathersby, Keen, Ashley,
Lane, Durden, Lee, Bell, Slay, My-
ers,—well, just so many can't men-
tion all. God bless pastor and peo-
ple.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Rev. J. W. Hickerson recently as-
sisted Pastor B. A. McCollough in
a good meeting at Harrisville, Simp-
son County.

At Stonewall, Simpson County,
Rev. John Lane assisted Pastor W.
W. Allred in a revival meeting.
Bro. Allred lives at Pinola and is
pastor there and elsewhere.

Rev. S. J. Rhodes, pastor at Tay-
lorsville, accompanied by Rev. J. W.
Weathersby of Taylorsville, visited
us during the meeting at Fork. Both
looked well and healthy.

Bro. Noel Slay was recently
licensed to preach by the Fork-Beth-
lehem Baptist church, Simpson Co.
He has been in the U. S. Army for
several years, came home and was
converted and expressed a call to
preach. His term in the army will
expire soon and he purposes to come
back and give his life to the min-
istry.

The meeting at Pittsboro, Cal-
houn County, is in progress this
week. The pastor is preaching and
Bro. John B. Reasons, a local sing-
er, is leading the music.

Rev. Wiley Flanagan of Pittsboro,
recently returned from Clarke Col-
lege, Newton, where he finished the
course. He is only 18 years old, but
he is one of our most studious and
well informed young ministers.

From Bro. W. M. Shelton: "Our
series of meetings closed out at
Derma last night. We had a great
meeting, 17 additions, 10 for baptism
and 7 by letter. Rev. R. M. Lewis
of Artesia, our pastor, did the
preaching and Bro. R. C. Cannon
of B.B.I., New Orleans, conducted
the music. Good crowds and much
good accomplished."

Pastor J. H. Page of Oakland, did
the preaching in his meeting at
New Hope Baptist church, Yallobusha
County, last week. Results
not learned. Rain interfered much,
however.

A VALUABLE BOOK

Rev. F. D. King has written a book
that goes to the heart of the sub-
ject of American Protestantism. The
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tantism's ailment and suggests the
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earnestness and his chapters carry
abundant food for pastors and lay-
men. A careful reading of the book
will tend to stir the blood of any
Christian who is responsive to the
vital needs of our present coopera-
tion by the followers of Christ.

The price of the book is \$1.50 and
can be had from the author at New-
man, Georgia.—E. B. Hatcher.

Student Activities

Students, how about starting a
revival in your county? Once be-
fore we have mentioned the fact
that in connection with our Recon-
secration Movement students are
holding study courses and spon-
soring evangelistic meetings. Why not
try it in your church and county?
Here's how one church did it:

"We felt that the young people
of our community needed a revival,
the interest needed stirring up, the
students needed something to do.
A few of us talked with the pastor
and as usual he was for us. We be-
gan plans for a student revival, of,
for and by young people from 13
to 30. Committees were organized
to arrange for music, flowers, care
taking, Bible study and devotionals.
Our pastor agreed to preach since
no student preacher could be se-
cured; a local youth led the singing.
Each night at seven we began our
Bible study, followed by the song
service, devotional by a boy or
girl, and the sermon. There were
no singular events during the week
but the Holy Spirit worked quietly
into the hearts of the young people
and numbers reconsecrated their
lives to the Master."

You can do it too, if you will!

Last week's reports show the
following churches visited:

County	Church	Present	No. Students
Jeff Davis	Phalti	100	4
Jones	Ellisville	75	4
	Pleasant Ridge	175	3
	Pine Grove	250	4
	Harmony	50	3
Lafayette	Tula	100	5
	Clear Creek	45	6
	London Hill	100	5
Lowndes	Mayhew	50	4
	Artesia	70	4
Rankin	Richland	300	25
Winston	Louisville	250	4
		1,565	51

One leader writes: "More present
than at the regular Sunday night
services. The members in the audi-
ence congratulated us so much and
seemed to enjoy the program so
much that we were inspired to car-
ry the program to every church."

OCEAN SPRINGS

Dear Brother Editor:

The revival spirit is still with us.
Two joined for baptism last night
one week ago, first Sunday; and
three more last night, second Sun-
day. Also two by statement. This
makes 59 to date. Since my pastor-
ate began February 10, 1932, the
church has received 110 with 71 by
baptism. One other awaits baptism
now.

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in Sunday school and more than 50

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do what we can for the special calls.
We must show the missionary spirit.

Dr. A. G. Moseley will supply for
me during the third and fourth Sun-
days while I am helping my son in
a meeting in Birmingham. Am send-
ing you a program which we will
carry out on the fifth Sunday at
Ware. Brother Hodge will preach
for me that day while I am helping
to put this on and over.

Yours fraternally,

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Sunday School Lesson

W. A. Sullivan

The Choice of a Daughter of Moab Ruth 1:6-10, 14-19

It is said that on the occasion of one of his visits to France, Benjamin Franklin was guest of honor at a meeting of some of the most brilliant atheists of Europe. In the course of the meeting several of those present read what they considered their favorite selection from all literature. Finally the guest of honor was invited to read his selection. Whereupon without announcing the title Franklin began reading the Book of Ruth. They listened with rapt attention; and at the conclusion were enthusiastic with loath his life for my sake, and the Where did you find it?" etc. Laconically Franklin replied: "I found it in an old Book called the Bible."

The Book of Ruth is a lovely idyl of surpassing beauty. As a love story it speaks the best language of the human heart. As a "Short Story" it ranks easily with the best, and probably never will be excelled. Not however for its literary value do we study it here. We are interested most of all in its religious teachings, which are of supreme value.

The events recorded in Ruth are presented as having occurred in the "days when the judges judged." The land of Israel being famine stricken, Elimelech with Naomi, his wife, and their two sons, migrates to the land of Moab. There Elimelech dies. Thereafter the two brothers, Mahlon and Chilion, marry two Moabite maidens, Ruth and Orpah. Death strikes again leaving both Ruth and Orpah childless widows. Naomi, thrice bereaved, broken-hearted, home-sick, turns her face toward the land of Israel, and starts wearily back to the old home at Bethlehem. Her two daughters-in-law accompany her to the borders of the land of Moab. There when the sad good-byes are being said both Ruth and Orpah resolve to go with Naomi back to Bethlehem. Naomi advising against this resolution, Orpah returns to Moab and to her gods. But Ruth said (Ruth 1:16-17): "Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God: Where thou diest, I will die, and there will I be buried: the Lord do so to me, and more also, if aught but death part thee and me." Thus Ruth made her immortal choice.

1. Ruth's choice was the expression of a great love hallowed by, and blended with, a great sorrow. She made her choice in the valley of the shadow of death. Ah, the choices, the decisions, that have been made in that valley! How richer has become many a life while passing through the shadows!

2. Her choice was deliberate and involved great sacrifice. She knew

what it meant. She forsook her native land, her family, her religion, and her gods. Her decision was determined, irrevocable, final. One is reminded of Paul who said "I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but refuse, that I may win Christ," and of the oft repeated saying of Ruth's most illustrious descendant: "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."

3. Her decision tremendously affected the course of history. Soon after the arrival in Bethlehem, in the course of ordinary events, Ruth met Boaz, a kinsman of Naomi. Follows a brief courtship. Then wedding bells. Obed is born, who became the grand-father of David, Israel's greatest king. Ruth, by her choice made with a broken heart, became the grand-mother of the greatest dynasty of all the kings of earth. Her choice affected not only her own life, but also the destiny of a nation. How much, how much indeed, may depend on what for the moment may seem insignificant in the lonely hours of a disappointed, dependent life!

4. Moreover her choice was richly rewarded. She gained an hundred fold more than she lost — love, friends, home, happiness, security, honor, distinction, Jehovah. If at the borders of the lands of Moab and Israel she lost her life, surely in the events which followed she found it more than abundantly. In the suppression of herself as a daughter of Moab she found her largest, most satisfying, and glorious self-expression as a "Mother in

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Israel." Jesus Christ said "He that they praise, asking, "What is it? gospel's, shall find it."

5. Finally Ruth's choice identified her with God's redemptive act and His plan for the ages. In Bethlehem she met, loved, and married Boaz. Obed, their son, was grand-father of David who was ancestor of Mary, mother of Jesus. Joseph also, protector of Mary and her Babe from the wrath of Herod, was a descendent of Ruth.

Finally the believer in Christ will see in the succession of events recorded in the Book of Ruth the directing hand of an allwise, overruling Providence. The famine in Israel, the sad migration to a strange land, death, marriage into a heathen tribe, death again, three graves, three widows, the desolate return to Bethlehem, Ruth's sorrowful choice, the chance meeting with Boaz, the wedding, the birth of a son,—a chain of apparently fortuitous events sanctified and glorified by much suffering and many tears, yet related to, and necessary to, the coming of Christ, the Son of God into this world. The human origins

of Jesus Christ are rooted not only Jewish life, but in that of the Gentiles too. The blood of Ruth, the Moabitess, flowed through the heart of the Son of God. Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of God, is the Son of Man. "In Him shall the Gentiles trust."

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THE BAPTIST RURAL SITUATION

A. D. Muse, Pauls Valley, Okla.

The Baptist Rural Situation grows on my heart with greater and greater weight all the time. Every turn brings it to my heart afresh. Everywhere I go; every section of the country the situation is getting more and more serious. The very genius of our people makes us a rural folk. The primitive new Testament simplicity of our message gives us a ready appeal to the rural people. The spiritual content of our message elicits an easy response from this people. The simple order of our organization makes it easy to form and maintain rural churches. But the facts remain, we are fast losing the rural communities.

The rural communities need that simple story in simple style. The results will be proper and ample. Every body loves the Baptist message of pure grace and all creeds will hear it if you don't brand it.

The glory of the Gospel is that many times, the preacher who butchered the King's English broke the sinner's heart. The honor of Baptist is that the greatest centers of Baptist work have been formed, and the Baptist belt, the South, had its foundations laid well and laid deep in the heart of a simple rural people by a largely uneducated ministry; while the Presbyterians, the beginners of rural Evangelism in the rural mountain sections of the east, south, turned their major emphasis to the high standards of an educated ministry and lost the field and Baptists have started in the same direction. Hebrew Stems and Greek roots are sufficient bones for scholars to gnaw on, but the simple words of the common folk, plainly spoken are the wings of the spirit, and are heard gladly. The masses read Will Rogers while only the intellectual read Arthur Brisbane and Walter Lippman.

Here is the first root of the trouble. In our over emphasis on an educated ministry, we have, somehow, somewhere, missed it. Our ministerial graduate comes out of a four years' college and three years' Seminary course with the feeling that he needs or deserves a bigger field and he hies away to town and city. The rural community is passed up.

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The truth is a preacher's rating is often measured by the size of the salary he draws. And we have forgotten that Paul made tents. And we have forgotten that the Baptist foundations were laid by men who farmed, lived on their farms, worked some, hired some work done, and raised all their children to work on the farm, and got what salary they could. But they preached. They lived with their people. They loved their people. Their people loved them. True they often sacrificed more for their people than their people ever did for them. But the whole cause of Christ from start to finish rests upon the principle of vicarious sacrifice. And vicarious sacrifice is the price of leadership in any field.

Again, in the struggle for places and positions and "higher rating" we have gotten off center at another point. There are, today, many of us, and I put it in the first person earnestly, holding churches to a great disadvantage to both the preacher and the people. Good and dear men and holding pulpits beyond their personal and educational equipment to the embarrassment of their church and the hindrance of the work. Good men who could and would be acceptable to a good rural people, and really take a place of leadership in the community out there and their people would be proud of them and would love them and would follow them. And almost every rural community today has educational advantages equal to the town for their children.

Our denomination is so loaded with debts for colleges, universities, hospitals and seminaries until nowhere to speak of are we able to put salary into preachers to go out there and serve and build from the bottom up. So we do not have the old time state-missionary-pastor. We do not have the Colporteur, going in and going from house to house selling books and distributing tracts, and preaching in school houses any more. The denomination for the same reason above given, is not able to send out missionary-evangelists into neglected districts.

I know one young man in this state, who has a wife and two children, who has gone twelve miles out in the country, taken a fourth-time country church for full-time for forty dollars a month, much of that paid in groceries; lives in a little house about like the average in the community. He lives with his people. He lives on what he gets, he visits every needed case. He goes and works in the fields of his members, he is far above the average as a Bible preacher. He can get pulpits. He has his car. He goes to good Bible Conferences. He reads good books, he takes some good Bible magazines. He is growing in his preaching. We need a thousand men in each state to do that very thing. In almost every town we have preachers without work. They are living in town. In many cases their families are suffering. They are not preaching anywhere. And all around them thousands of people—good prosperous rural communities are going off to all kinds of religious vagaries, and down to hell. Common people are naturally

Baptist timber. And it is our fault if we don't get them. Baptists have no business on stilts, and we had just as well get off our stilts and get back on the ground or our responsibility is going to be something terrible. And God is not going to bless us until we get back there and get off of all the stuff. It's got to start with the individual preacher.

CALHOUN CITY

The Annual Revival at Calhoun City was conducted this year for the third consecutive time by the pastor, Rev. R. B. Patterson. He was assisted in the singing by Mr. R. C. Cannon of the same place. The meeting resulted in a renewed and deepened interest in all phases of church life. There were six additions to the church.

Mr. R. C. Cannon is available for work as an evangelistic singer in meetings this summer and fall. He, until recently, was Educational Director and Choir Director at the Dauphine Way Baptist Church at Mobile, Ala. He also has been, in times past, the Educational Direc-

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tor at First Church, Baton Rouge, La., Calvary Church, Alexandria, La., and Coliseum Place Baptist Church, New Orleans, La. He is peculiarly fitted for his great work and in the exercise of his rare gifts he is successful in placing the singing of a meeting on a high spiritual plane.

It was a great pleasure indeed for his own home people to have him with them in this meeting and we heartily commend him and his services to the churches of Mississippi.

Our Sunday School Institute will be held this week. The pastor with the assistance of his wife and Mrs. S. L. Dobbs will make up the faculty.

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The Children's Circle

MRS. P. I. LIPSEY

My Dear Children:

We are rather specializing this week on our contributions. J. L. Club No. 11, through Mary Ruth Denson, has sent its regular gift, with a letter. Jeannie L. Club No. 7, from far Colorado, sends its dues with a personal letter. And J. L. Club No. 5, which used to be called the Swississippi Club combining its interests in Switzerland and Mississippi has sent me from New York a money order for \$20, five dollars of which I have put down in my book for the BBI and fifteen for our orphans in Jackson, that being about the way in which the Club's Papa generally likes it divided. Each one of these clubs has its pleasant letter, and we are grateful to them all for letters and gifts. Still another letter, which we appreciate very much, comes to us from Dr. Hamilton and the Baptist Bible Institute. You will be interested, I am sure, in what he says about the debt, more than \$8,000, which they must pay on the first of August. We, our Children's Circle, have already sent him our regular contribution for July, and that we may have a little part in the payment of this debt, I am sending him tomorrow the amount we have now for the BBI, about \$12.00, I think. Shall we not be glad to give that much to the debt? I am sure we all will approve of it.

Much love from

Mrs. Lipsey.

Bible Study No. 4: August 3rd.
The City: Samaria
Story: The Work of Philip, Peter and John. Acts 8:5-25.

Though the Province of Samaria and its capitol city, also called Samaria, were not far distant of the Province of Judea, in which was Jerusalem of which we have been studying, there was enmity between the two people of the provinces. In II Kings, chapter 17, we read that Shalmanezar, King of Assyria, carried the Israelites to Babylonia, and sent people from Babylonia to occupy their cities and land. Jews and Babylonians inter-married, which was forbidden to the Jews by God. But the Samaritans accepted the five Books of Moses, and looked for a Messiah, as they still do. The religious separation between the Jews and the Samaritans became final when the Samaritans built a rival temple on their Mt. Gerizim, and it was declared the rightful center of worship. Their enmity increased and on all public occasions the Samaritans took sides against the Jews, and seized every opportunity of injuring and insulting them. They tried to desecrate the temple at Jer-

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usalem on the eve of the Passover; they waylaid and killed pilgrims on the way to Jerusalem. The Jews treated the Samaritans with every mark of contempt, accusing them of falsehood, folly and irreligion, and disowning them as of the same race or religion. So we are glad to see Philip and Peter and John making a missionary trip to Samaria and being received, largely, in a kind way!

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Bay Springs, Miss.
July 25, 1933.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Am enclosing my dollar for J. L. Club No. 11, for July.

I enjoy having the paper read to me each week. We have been on the Coast for a week. Playing in the water was such fun. I think that would be a nice place to live.

Lovingly,

Mary Ruth Denson
My little girl, Julia Frances, and her father and mother were on the coast at the same time, Mary Ruth, that you were. How nice it would have been for you to meet! They were at the Sea Shore Camp Ground. Thank you so much for the "dues" from Jeannie L. Club No. 11. You are keeping up with it mighty well and thank mother for me, too.

—o—

New York City
July 24, 1933

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Well, Grandma, the last time I wrote the Children's Circle I was in Switzerland. Since then I have been down to see you in Mississippi, and now I am in New York.

Our Swississippi Club will have to change its name, but we are still doing business. Mamma is sending something to pay our dues for the past several months.

I had my tonsils and adenoids taken out last month. I stayed in a great hospital on a hill, looking over the Hudson river to New Jersey on the other side.

Love to you and all the children,

Jeannie Lipsey.

I'm mighty glad to have a letter from you, Jeannie, and so are all our children. We are all so pleased that you have gotten over the operations so well and have such a good appetite. Until you all and your Papa decide on a name for your club, we will call it Jeannie L. Club No. 5, because it was the 5th one to be formed. Love and thanks for the money.

—o—

Mrs. P. I. Lipsey,

Clinton, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Enclosed is receipt for the \$6.50 sent for the Children's Circle scholarship, and you and the young people cannot know how much such confidence and help mean to me personally in the endeavor to hold this great mission field for our Saviour. It brings cheer and courage to know that so many are thinking about you and praying for you and are willing to make sacrifices for the

work being done for the Master.

EACH DAY AT NOON a number of us here at the Institute are meeting in the "Prayer Room" asking God to give this great mission work another meaningful victory August 1, when the next semi-annual \$8,401.75 obligation comes due. You cannot be here in person, but I trust you will join us at this special prayer time.

With every good wish for you and all dear to you in all your life and work for our Saviour, I am

Yours in His name,

W. W. Hamilton,

President.

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NEWS NOTES

Rev. J. W. T. Siler of Chalybeate assisted Rev. J. B. Parker of Ripley in a meeting at Salyillo, Lee County, the second week in July. There were two additions to the church and a good interest among the church people.

Rev. I. P. Randolph of Union County is a very busy man these days being pastor of seven churches, and holding his own meeting in many of them. He recently closed a good meeting at Academy Church five miles southeast of Blue Mountain. There were thirteen additions by baptism.

Rev. J. B. Parker of Ripley did the preaching at Chalybeate where Rev. J. W. T. Siler is pastor, the third week in July. There were five additions by baptism, and the church greatly revived.

Rev. C. H. Frye of Blue Mountain is pastor at Montpelier, out from Houston and did his own preaching in the meeting there closing July 28th. There were six additions to the church for baptism.

Rev. J. W. Siler did the preaching at Guntown, where Rev. J. B. Parker of Ripley is pastor. There

were three additions to the church by baptism. The attendance was good and the interest fine all through the meeting.

The writer spent the past week at Pleasant Hill Church (Tippah County). There was only one addition to the church; but the interest was good. This was the third meeting at this good church.

It is reported that Dr. Jas. B. Leavell is to do the preaching at Baldwin in a cooperative meeting that is to run two weeks beginning the fifth Sunday in July and closing the second Sunday in August.

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